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IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned have been appointed Agents of the above Company and that the Company's Office has been opened this day at No. 187 Hornby Row, Fort.

KARSONDAS T. ROWJI & CO.,
6307 Agents.
Bombay, 12th December, 1916.

THE BOMBAY FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

THE REVISED WIRING RULES FOR ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS have now been issued. All ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS hereafter erected in insured buildings must conform thereto. Copies of the Rules can be had at the Offices of the Association, Graham's Buildings, Fort.
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NOTICE.

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AND
GREEN'S RESTAURANT.

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The Indian Hotels Co., Ltd.,
Taj Mahal Hotel.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. "KUROHIME MARU" having arrived on the 12th instant from Rangoon the consignees of her cargo are requested to send in their bills of lading to this office for countersignature without delay. No survey will be held on cargo damaged or in doubtful condition unless a written application for such survey is received by the undersigned within ten days after the steamer's arrival. Captain J. C. Richards of Messrs. Ericson & Richards will be attending Docks every morning to survey damages. Cargo removed from the landing Shed or warehoused is not entitled to the survey. The Bills for claim are to be sent into this office within one month from the date of steamer's arrival otherwise they will not be entertained.

RUTTONJEE BOMONJEE & CO.,
42, Forbes Street,
6303 Agents.

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ADVERTISERS are requested to note that the management cannot guarantee to insert advertisements in the "Bombay Chronicle" unless the copies reach this office before 6-0 p.m., (S.T.)
MANAGING DIRECTOR,
"Bombay Chronicle."
Bombay, 30th August, 1916.

NOTICE.

THE STATE PURCHASES COMMITTEE having been appointed by the Darbar to deal with all orders exceeding Rs. 300 in value hitherto placed by the various Heads of Departments who have to make purchases during the year, all firms desirous of doing business with the State are requested to send their latest price lists to the Secretary, and duly to apprise him of any alterations in the list prices. The Committee will usually invite sealed tenders for the requirements of the State. All kinds of furniture, tents, leather goods, provision stores, P. W. D. and Electrical Department requirements, Press accessories, motor requisities, stationery, everything in short, will come within the scope of the Committee's authority.

SECRETARY,
State Purchases Committee, Bhopal.
6215.
Ahmedabad Palace,
Bhopal, 27th November, 1916.

BOMBAY BARODA & CENTRAL INDIA RAILWAY COMPANY.

(Incorporated in England.)

NOTICE.

CHEAP 1st and 2nd class return tickets will be issued over the B. B. and C. I. Railway at reduced fare for Christmas Holidays.
For particulars see Notices exhibited at stations, or apply to the undersigned.
FREDERICK W. HANSON.
General Traffic Manager.
Bombay, 20th November, 1916.
6048

NOTICE.

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Dated this 11th day of December 1916.
MANSUKHLAL HIRALAL MEHTA & Co.,
Attorneys for Bhimji Rowji Sons & Co.
6308

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that KESSERBAI, widow of CHABILDAS LALUBHAI and JANMAYJAY CHABILDAS respectively the executors of CHABILDAS LALUBHAI, deceased of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants have agreed to sell the undermentioned property. All persons having any claim to or upon the said property by way of mortgage, inheritance, lease, sale, gift, lien, or otherwise howsoever are required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office No. 52 Esplanade Road in Fort, Bombay in Messrs. Treachers and Company's building within fourteen days from the date hereof otherwise the same if any will be considered to have been waived and the purchase will be completed without regard thereto.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of land of the quit and ground rent tenure situate at Duncan Road and Bhandari Street in the City of Bombay together with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon containing by admeasurement 565 8/9 square yards or thereabouts and situated within the Registration Sub-District of Bombay and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 1774 1779 and 1815 New Nos. 8908, 8913 and 8945 Old Survey Nos. 124, 128 and 129 New Survey Nos. 4771, 4882 and 4881 and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under C Ward Nos. 7391 and 7465 Street Nos. 32 and 13 and bounded as follows: that is to say on or towards the North partly by the property of Kuberdas Harichand and partly by a property belonging to another man on or towards the South partly by the property of Beg Mahomed and partly by the property of Dwarkadas Lalubhai, on or towards the West by Bhandari Street and on or towards the East by Duncan Road.

Dated this 12th day of December, 1916.
PAYNE & CO.,
6305 Purchasers Attorneys.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that Mr. KAWASHA BOMANJI GADIWALLA, of Bombay, Parsi, has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client Mr. SADANAND RAMKRISHNA PARULKAR. Any person having any claim in or to the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lease, lien, easement or otherwise, is hereby required to make the same known in writing to us at our office No. 14, K. Hummum Street, Fort, Bombay, and to the Assessor of Municipal Rates and Taxes within 14 days from the date hereof; otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same will be considered as waived.

All that piece or parcel of Leasehold land together with the messuage or dwelling house standing thereon, situate at Girgaum, without the Fort of Bombay, in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 477 square yards or thereabouts and bearing New Survey No. 3073 and bounded on the East by the aforesaid Girgaum Road, on the West by the property of Hirjibhoy Maneckji Sethna, on the North by the property of Hirjibhoy Maneckji Sethna and on the South by Mingle Wadi Lane, which said premises are assessed by the Assessor of Municipal Rates and Taxes under D. Ward No. 101 (1) and Street No. 524, Girgaum Road and were formerly and are now in the occupation of the vendor.

Dated this 8th day of December, 1916.
MERWANJI KOLA & Co.,
6266 Purchaser's Attorneys.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that Messrs. ABDEALI MAHOMEDALI KAJIJI, HAJI MAHOMED MADIN, HAJI SIDDICK HAJI IBRAHIM, KHAN BAHADUR ABDUL-REHMAN HAJI MAHOMED KADWANI, and ABDUL KADAR HAJI ISMAIL GOOL MAHOMED, Trustees of the estate of Haji Karim Mahomed Sulleman deceased have contracted to sell to the Trustees of the Honourable Byramjee Jeejeebhoy Trust Settlement 1872, who are our clients, the undermentioned property.

All persons having any interest therein or claim thereto or in or to any part thereof either by way of gift, inheritance, mortgage, charge, lease, lien, trust or otherwise howsoever are requested to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at Standard Buildings, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof failing which the said sale will be completed without reference to any such interest or claim, and the same if any will be treated as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground with the messuage, bungalow, outhouses, stables and coach houses thereon and the yards and gardens appurtenant thereto situate at Ridge Road, Malabar Hill in the Island and Sub-Registration of Bombay, known as the "Cliff" containing by admeasurement 5,189 13/100 square yards or thereabouts and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 32, New No. 16375, Old Survey No. 2/14 and New Survey No. 1/7237, and assessed by the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under D. Ward No. 3174 and Street Nos. 109-111 and bounded on or towards the East partly by the property of Jamnabai Jayaram, bearing New Survey No. 8/7288, partly by the property of Nanibai, widow of Callianjee Ludha bearing New Survey No. 10/7288 and partly by the property of Devidas Muljee and others, bearing New Survey No. 11/7288, on or towards the West by the Ridge Road, on or towards the North by the property of Government bearing New Survey No. 7294 and on or towards the South by land leased by Government to Muljee Bhawanidas Barbhaya and bearing New Survey No. 2/7287.

Dated this 5th day of December, 1916.
CRAIGIE, BLUNT & CAROE,
Attorneys for the Trustees of the Hon. Byramjee Jeejeebhoy Trust Settlement, 1872. 6224

SALE BY AUCTION

J. S. MODY & CO.

20 APOLLO STREET, FORT,
TEL NO. 3409.

AUCTION SALE of very valuable immoveable property situate opposite the Adamjee Peerbhai Mills and near Tardeo Post Office at Tardeo without the Fort Bombay.

Under instructions from Messrs. Malvi Hiralal Mody and Ranchoddas Attorneys for the mortgagees Messrs. Joharmal Moolchand Messrs. J. S. MODY & Co., Auctioneers will put up for sale by Public Auction on WEDNESDAY, the 20th day of December, 1916, at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.), on the premises the immoveable property described in the Schedule hereunder written on account and at the risk of the Mortgagor Mr. Ebjee Umarsey and by virtue of the Power of Sale reserved to the said Mortgagees in the Indenture of Mortgage dated the 17th day of March 1914 and made between the said Mortgagor Ebjee Umarsey of the one part and the said Mortgagees Messrs. Joharmal Moolchand of the other part.

PARTICULARS OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground together with the messuage, tenements or dwelling house standing thereon situate lying and being on the West side of Tardeo Road without the Fort of Bombay and in the Registration District and Sub-District of Bombay containing by admeasurement 1,690 square yards or thereabouts and bounded on or towards the North by the property of Mithibai Jamsetji Parkeh, on or towards the South by the property of Adamji Peerbhoy, on or towards the East by the property of Liladhar Haridas and on or towards the West by the Tardeo Road aforesaid and which said premises are registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 357 New No. 13871 Old Survey Nos. 145 and 146 New Survey No. 3/7023 and assessed by the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under D Ward Nos. 21 and 3730 and Street No. 89 and were formerly and are now in the occupation of the Mortgagor.

For further particulars, conditions of sale and inspection of title deeds, etc., intending purchasers are requested to apply to Messrs. Malvi Hiralal Mody and Ranchoddas at their Office No. 79 Medows Street Fort or to the undersigned during business hours.

J. S. MODY & CO.,
Auctioneers.
Bombay, 13th December, 1916.

MENESSE & CO.

No. 35, HUMMUM STREET, FORT.

AUCTION SALE of Old Wood, Empty Iron Drums, Wooden Cases, Casks and Scrap, Iron, etc.

Messrs. MENESSE and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, on FRIDAY, the 15th December, 1916, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), in the B. I. S. N. Company's Dockyard, Mazagon:—

A quantity of empty paint drums, empty casks, crates, and packing cases, curtains, carpets, coir matting, scrap iron, pine and junglewood cuttings about 4,000 c. feet, etc.

AUCTION SALE of Old and Unserviceable Materials and Stores, at the G. I. P. Railway Stores Depot, Parel.

On THURSDAY, the 21st December, 1916, at 1-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. MENESSE and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the G. I. P. Railway Company's Stores Depot, Parel:

A quantity of old and unserviceable materials and stores consisting of empty casks, K. oil tins lamps of sorts, brackets, drums, paint cans, varnish tins G. I. buckets, forges, old and new files, platform scales, hoop iron, trolly wheels, furniture, glass, Manilla rope, leather cuttings, cloth cuttings, canvas and leather pipes, I. R. cutting and scrap and rubber pipes, vacuum pipes, clocks and watches, bells, leather belts, hammers, augers, locks glass globes, typewriter, motor tyres, ratchet braces flooring tiles, wicks, ink bottles, acid jars, empty, Ashbestes and Ucelite sheets, automatic exchangers, Process block instruments, oil tanks, Allen patent steam striker types, with boxes and ink ribbons, coach screws, Paint crimsonlake dry, cloth bunting, tents and tent poles, and sundry other stores.

A deposit of 50 per cent. will be required when the lots are knocked down and the balance must be paid and the materials removed within one month from the day of sale failing which ground rent will be charged by the Railway Company.

MENESSE & Co.,
Auctioneers.
Bombay, 13th December, 1916.

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AUCTION SALE OF ENGLISH MEDICINES, MEDICAL INSTRUMENTS, SHOP FURNITURE, AND GOODWILL, ETC.

Under instructions from Multani Tehilram Girdharidas, the mortgagee in possession and on account and risk of Messrs. Pranjpe Athale and Co., traded as chemists and druggists, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co., will sell by Public Auction TO-MORROW THURSDAY, the 14th day of December, 1916, at 2 p.m. (B.T.), at the shop at Soman Building (on the Tram lines), opposite Khandawad, Girgaum, all the stock-in-trade, consisting of:—

English medicines, medical instruments, machinery to repair the medical instruments, and shop furniture such as show cases teakwood cupboards, tables, chairs and the goodwill, etc.

CRAWFORD & Co.,
Auctioneers.
Bombay, 13th December, 1916.

NUSSERWANJI SORABJI & CO.

AUCTION SALE.

Under kind instructions from the Superintendent Ammunition Factory Kirkee, the undersigned will sell by auction on the premises of the said factory at 12 noon on FRIDAY, the 22nd December 1916, a large quantity of the following metals and stores in small lots to meet the convenience of purchasers. Brass boring, brass cutting, brass pig, brass scrap, copper scrap, cupronickel scrap, cupronickel black and white with and without traces of lead, gunmetal scrap, iron wrought and caste scrap, steel, mild and tool scrap, the scrap and cutting, lead dross, lead old, boxes ammunition, oil and soft soap empty drums, empty old jars and other stores too numerous to mention.

For conditions of sale and other particulars apply to
NUSSERWANJI SORABJEE & CO.,
Government Auctioneers,
94, Main Street, Poona.

SALE BY AUCTION

BENNETT & CO.

NO. 22, APPOLLO STREET, FORT.

AUCTION SALE of Very Valuable Plots, at Sandhurst Road (East) Estate and Sandhurst Road (West) Estate.

Under instructions from the Bombay Improvement Trust, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will, THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 13th instant, at 4-30 p.m. (S. T.), sell by Public Auction, on the site, the following very valuable building plots for a term of 999 years:—

LOT No. 1.—A very valuable building site known as plaots No. 32 and 33, Sandhurst Road (East), Estate, containing 1,262 square yards, having long and prominent frontages to Parel (Bhendy Bazaar), Sandhurst and Jail Roads, and suitable for the erection of shops, offices and residences. This plot is situate in a very busy locality and at the junction of the main North and South and East and West Roads. It is expected that trams will shortly be laid along Sandhurst Road, and when Sandhurst Road is completed this will be one of the prominent sites in the city.

LOT No. 2.—An excellent building site known as plot No. 86 and 87, Sandhurst Road, west containing 1,741 square yards, situate at the junction of Sandhurst and Falkland Roads and having frontages of once 320ft. to Sandhurst Road, Falkland Road, Islampura Street, and Ardeseer Dady Street.

It is expected that trams will shortly run from Falkland Road, along Sandhurst Road to the docks.

The letting will be held on plot Nos 32 and 33. Plans and agreements to lease can be seen on application to the Board's Land Manager, or to the Undersigned.

TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, the 14th instant, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. BENNETT and Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at Jasmin Lodge, Nepean Sea Road, Malabar Hill, next to Dariai Mahal, the valuable and handsome teakwood and blackwood plain and carved household furniture, rich glass and crockeryware, best platedware, large sliding dining table, arms and without arms chairs, large sideboard and dumbwaiters, drawing room suite of sofas and chairs, Chesterfield sofas, drawing room cabinets, single and double glass almyrahs, handsome flower vases and table ornaments, marble top dressing and wash-hand tables, dressing chest of drawers, fancy teapoys, writing tables, glass door book cases, wooden, brass and iron single and double bedsteads, rich Persian and Brussels carpets, one rubber tyred palanquin office shigram in good order, etc., etc., the property of a gentleman.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

On SATURDAY, the 16th instant, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at No. 13, Watson Annexe, Apollo Bunder, the valuable and handsome teakwood and blackwood plain and carved household furniture of the latest designed, rich glass and crockeryware, best platedware, dining table, arms and without arm chairs, large sideboard and dumbwaiters, drawing-room suite, drawing-room cabinets, single and double glass door almyrahs, handsome flower vases and table ornaments, marble top dressing and wash-hand tables, dressing chest of drawers, fancy teapoys, electric lamps, and fans, electric clothes iron, brass double bedstead, beaded door chicks, Singapore cane furniture, ice box, a lot of Persian and Brussels carpets, etc., etc., the property of A. D. Butler, Esq. and others.

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SALE OF VALUABLE PLOTS OF LAND, at Parel Tank Road, suitable for Chawls, Factories or Buffalo Stables.

Private offers are invited for the sale of valuable plots of land at Parel Tank Road, either in one lot or in separate lots, (admeasuring about 17,440 square yards), by Mr. R. D. Sethna, Receiver in Suit No. 396 of 1913.

The Receiver does not bind himself to accept any highest offer.

For further particulars, conditions of sale, and plan of the property, apply to Messrs. Patel and Ezekiel, Solicitors, Hornby Road, Fort, or to the undersigned.

On SATURDAY, the 16th instant, at 3-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, etc.

At 2 p.m. (S. T.).
1 second-hand rubber tyred glass fronted miniature office brougham.
1 second-hand rubber tyred palanquin office shigram in good order.
1 second-hand rubber tyred victoria, in good order.
1 bay Arab horse, aged, quiet in harness.

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AUCTION SALE of a large Chemists and Druggists' Shop.

Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will on MONDAY, the 18th instant, at 2 p.m. (S.T.) sell by Public Auction, at No. 20, Medows Street, Fort, the stock-in-trade of Messrs. Condor and Sons, Chemists and Druggists, consisting of patent medicines of all kinds, drugs, tabloids and tablets pills, surgical instruments, glass syringes, Douche Watercans, glasscase medicines show cases-small round glass show case, large plate glass show cases, large counters, cupboards, tables chairs, scent bottles, sponges, tooth brushes, hair brushes, one large counter with show case, thermometers, compounding stones mortars and pistons, platedware and best articles for presentation, etc., etc., will be sold in small lots to suit the requirements of purchasers.

The above will be on view four days before the sale.

BENNETT & Co.,
Bombay, 13th December, 1916.

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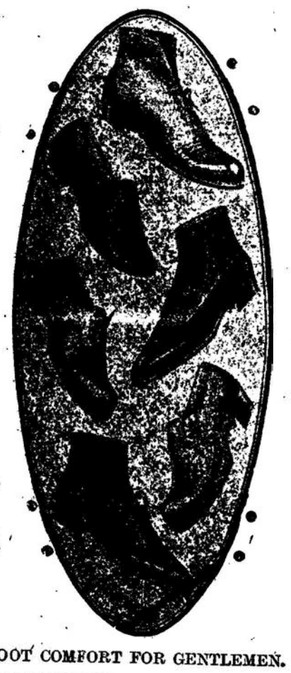

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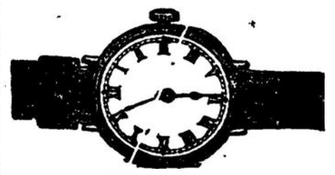

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Dec. 12th.

Nurani	Thomson	Aden, Dec. 4
Koweit	Gray	Makalla, Dec 5
Kurohima Maru	Nishikawa	Rangoon, Dec, 1

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 12th.

Kansas	James	Karachi
Dovre	Singmeman	Singapore
Linga	Cuthbush	Karachi
Culna	Morrison	Karachi
Soyo Maru	Totaka	do.

The following vessels obtained port clearances yesterday.

Ataka Maru	Tobaso	Kobe, etc.

The following vessels began to load on yesterday:—

Steamer	*Nairung	for Jeddah
„	Nurani	for Marseilles

*To arrive.

Dec. 12.

S. S. Nurani:—The Asiatic Company's steamer Nurani, 2,870 tons, Captain H. W. Thomson, arrived in harbour yesterday from Aden, which port she had left on the 4th instant, with a general cargo and passengers.

S. S. Koweit:—The Asiatic Company's steamer Koweit, 2,392 tons, Captain F. Gray, arrived in harbour yesterday from Makalla, which port she had left on the 5th instant, with a general cargo and 40 pilgrims.

S. S Karohima Maru:—The steamer Kurohima Maru, 2,272 tons, Captain T. K. Nishikawa, arrived in harbour yesterday from Rangoon, which port she had left on the 1st instant, with a cargo of rice.

S. S. Linga:—The B. I. S. N. Company's steamer Linga, 959 tons, Captain H. M. Cutbush, sailed yesterday from the Bombay harbour for Karachi, with a general cargo and passengers.

S. S. Soyo Maru:—The steamer Soyo Maru, 2,923 tons, Captain A. Yotaka, sailed yesterday from the Bombay harbour for Karachi, with a general and same bottom cargo.

S. S. Culna:—The B. I. S. N. Company's steamer Culna, 3,956 tons, Captain W. C. Morrison, sailed yesterday from the Bombay harbour for Karachi, with a general and same bottom cargo.

S. S. Ataka Maru:—The Japan Line steamer Ataka Maru, 2,382 tons, Captain F. Tobaso, will sail to-day from the Bombay harbour for Kobe, etc., with a general cargo.

Tuesday, 12th December, 1916.

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7 Ataka Maru	Jabeen	O. S. K.
9 Kaiyo Maru	Salter	O. S. K.
12 & 13 Quilca		M. M. & Co
15 Dumra		M. M. & Co

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11 Nyanza	Grant	M. M. & Co

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Kuroheini Maru	Nishikava	
Nurani	Thomson	T. M. & Co
Seistan		S. N. & Co

EXPORTS.

Dec. 12.

FOR BARCELONA.

Olympia (s) 100 bales cotton, N. Rajaram and Co.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Olympia (s) 248 cwts. kismiss, David Sassoon and Co.; 74 bales wool, M. Balia; 400 bales cotton fly, O. Velji.

FOR HULL.

Kerman (s) 1,000 cwts. castor seed, Volkart Brothers; 2,000 cwts. groundnuts, Louis Dreyfus and Co.; 11,040 cwts. ginjelly seed, Louis Dreyfus and Co.

Jersey Moor (s) 23,160 cwts. cotton seed, Ralli Brothers; 6,000 cwts. castor seed, Ralli Brothers; 15,396 cwts. teel seed, Ralli Brothers; 6,916 cwts. barley, Ralli Brothers; 4,000 cwts. linseed, Volkart Brothers; 1,974 cwts. barley, Volkart Brothers.

Iperia (s) 434 cwts. linseed, D. B. Khan and Co.; 2,000 cwts. groundnuts, Volkart Brothers.

FOR GENOA.

Frinton (s) 2,500 tons manganese ore, Killick Nixon and Co.; 500 bales cotton, E. Spinner and Co.; 200 bales cotton, M. Amersey and Co.; 100 bales cotton, K. H. Kayani and Co.; 4,050 bales cotton, K. Devchand and Co.; 346 bales cotton fly, K. Devchand and Co.; 121 bales cow hides, E. Mahomed and Sons.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Hunnie (s) 1,999 cwts. til seed, Ralli Brothers; 5,000 cwts. mussoor, Ralli Brothers; 600 bales cotton, Prier de Soane and Co.; 570 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers; 996 cwts. mustard seed, John Fachiri; 2,001 cwts. groundnuts, M. B. Kaisha; 200 cwts. gum Arabic, M. Jafferbhoy; 400 cwts. mustard seed, M. Jafferbhoy; 1,034 cwts. copra, M. Jafferbhoy.

FOR OSAKA.

Kaijo Maru (s) 200 bales cotton, Y. K. Kwaisha; 1,000 bales cotton, N. M. K. Kaisha.

FOR KOBE.

Kaijo Maru (s) 1,500 bales cotton, N. M. K. Kaisha; 400 bales cotton, Y. K. Kwaisha; 200 bales cotton, C. Bomanji and Co.

Nyanza (s) 900 bales cotton, M. B. Kaisha.

FOR YOKOHAMA.

Java Maru (s) 34 cwts. senna leaves, S. Karimbhoy; 40 cwts. senna leaves, N. Mooljji.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Nyanza (s) 25 cwts. gum olibanum, A. Chagla and Co.; 33 cwts. gum Arabic, A. Chagla and Co.; 75 cwts. bees wax, M. J. Joomabhoy and Co.; 125 cwts. bees wax, E. Nowroji and Co.; 150 cwts. bees wax, M. Jafferbhoy.

FOR HONGKONG.

Nyanza (s) 16 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers; 68 cwts. gum Arabic, P. Jethabhoy; 126 cwts. kismiss, S. Hansraj and Co.; 12 cwts. kismiss, H. Abdeali; 19 cwts. ooplate, H. Abdeali; 198 cwts. olibanum, M. Jafferbhoy; 21 cwts. fishmaws, H. A. Mahomed; 60 cwts. sharkfins, H. A. Mahomed; 14 cwts. wheat flour, N. C. Bhesania and Co.

IMPORTS.

Dec. 12.

S. S. Dovre, from Bushire, Agents M. M. Shirazee.—127 bags gum, 2 cases 100 karabeeks rose water, 54 bags almond kernels, 195 bags cummin seed, 8 bags salab, 3 bags 2 jottas drug, 227 bags almonds, 2 bags onab, 15 bales 8 bundles skins, 1 bale C. P. goods.

S. S. Hunnie, from Abadan, Agents W. and A. Graham and Co.—688 tons liquid fuel in bulk.

S. S. Khyber from London, Agents M. M. and Co.—6,050 casks 4 bags cement, 7 cases perfumed spirit, 136 cases champagne, 16 cases musical instruments, 4 casks 381 cases wine, 25 cases liquor, 4 hogsheads claret, 31 cases spirits, 2 hogsheads sherry, 1 cask citric acid, 70 cases geneva, 275 cases whisky, 591 cases brandy, 41 cases glass bottles, 20 drums boiler fluid, 24 cases 13 casks glass globes, 82 cases boots and shoes, 140 cases medicine, 2 cases ammonia chloride, 15 cases tyres, 45 cases motor car and parts, 1 box gold coin, 1 box assayes, 911 bars assayes, 7 cases bleached sugar, 1 cask 9 cases cream of tartar, 1 bag Colombo roots, 2 cases petroleum jelly, 1 case ammonia citrate, 3 cases

(Continued in next Column.)

WEATHER REPORT

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

SIMLA, Dec. 12.

No rainfall of importance has occurred in Indian area, but the unsettled conditions in north-west India are slightly more marked.

Forecast:—Light snowfall in Kashmir and some rain in the extreme south.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Tuesday, the 12th December 1916, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are moderately clouded in the extreme north and lightly clouded in the south-west Punjab and clear elsewhere.

The United Provinces.—Skies are clear. Night temperature is in defect in the extreme western districts.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are lightly clouded in lower Sind and clear elsewhere. Night temperature is in defect in east Rajputana.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded. Humidity is in excess at Indore and Surat but normal or in defect elsewhere. Night temperature is in defect at Bhuj and Rajkot but in slight excess in Central India West.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded. Humidity is normal or in excess.

The Konkan.—Skies are lightly clouded. The air is damper than usual at Bombay. Day temperature is in defect in the south Konkan.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded. Humidity is normal or in excess. Day temperature is in defect in the southern half of the division.

General Remarks.—A few showers have occurred in south-east Madras; elsewhere weather has been dry. Conditions are unsettled in the south of the Bay of Bengal, Baluchistan and the extreme north.

Some showers may occur in south-east Madras.

SUN, MOON AND TIDES IN BOMBAY.

The following are the hours and heights of the tides in Bombay Harbour during the ensuing week. Hour stated in Bombay Mean Time depth of water is at Prince's Dock:—

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	HIGH WATER. Bombay Mean time.		Depth on Still.		LOW WATER. Day of Month.	Bombay Mean time.		Depth on Still.	
	Dec.		h. m.	ft	in.	Dec.		h. m.	ft.	in.
Tues.	12	m	0 57	28	6	12	m	7 21	19	7
		e	1 33a	25	8		e	8 20a	16	6
Wed.	13	m	1 26	28	2	13	m	7 36	19	7
		e	1 12a	25	1		e	6 50a	17	1
Thur	14	m	1 54	27	9	14	m	8 10	19	8
		e	1 48a	24	5		e	7 21a	17	10
Fri.	15	m	2 22	27	4	15	m	8 45	19	9
		e	2 29a	24	5		e	7 56a	18	8
Sat.	16	m	2 55	26	9	16	m	9 25	19	9
		e	3 19a	24	1		e	8 37a	19	6
Sun.	17	m	3 30	26	3	17	m	10 19	19	8
		e	4 19a	23	11		e	9 30a	20	5
Mon.	18	m	4 15	25	10	18	m	11 23	19	4
		e	5 31a	24	0		e	10 42a	21	3

The following are the hourf of sunrise and sunset according to Indian Standard Time during the ensuing week:—

Dec.		Sunrise.	Sunset.
„ 12	(Tuesday)	„ 7h. 2m.	„ 6h. 3m.
„ 13	(Wednesday)	„ 7h. 3m.	„ 6h. 4m.
„ 14	(Thursday)	„ 7h. 3m.	„ 6h. 4m.
„ 15	(Friday)	„ 7h. 4m.	„ 6h. 4m.
„ 16	(Saturday)	„ 7h. 5m.	„ 6h. 4m.
„ 17	(Sunday)	„ 7h. 5m.	„ 6h. 5m.
„ 18	(Monday)	„ 7h. 6m.	„ 6h. 5m.

PHASES OF THE MOON:—

First Quater	1916 Dec.	2nd.,	7h. 25.5m. a.m.
Full Moon	„ „	9th.,	6h. 13.9m. p.m.
Last Quarter	„ „	17th.,	11h. 26.4m. p.m.
New Moon	„ „	25th.,	2h. 1.2m. a.m.

(Continued from previous Column.)

dextrine, 10 casks lead oxide, 2 cases motor cycles, 280 casks China clay, 2 cases caustic soda, 12 cases gloy, 28 casks 2 cases ivory, 15 cases Benger's food, 510 cases gin, 8 cases sardine, 150 cases condensed milk, 99 cases cheese, 173 cases hams and bacon, 5 cases gauges, 25 cases jams, 6 cases marmalade, 16 cases sauce, 47 cases colour, 591 cases provisions, 194 cases confectionery, 5 packings leather belting, 5 cases lamp black, 9 cases preserved fruits, 11 cases conserves, 5 cases preserves, 41 cases biscuits, 2 cases malt extract, 10 cases meat extract, 13 cases preserved fish, 334 barrels grapes, 20 drums sulphur black, 6 cases infants food, 90 cases emulsion, 33 cases chocolate, 280 kegs white lead, 30 packages nuts, 60 drums 37 cases 180 kegs paint, 37 cases varnish, 9 cases French chalk, 1,000 jars 150 cases lime juice, 26 drums fluid, 100 casks alizarine dye, 48 cases flavouring essence, 33 cases vermouth, 6 cases linens, 5 cases silk goods, 12 bags galab roots, 4 cases essential oil, 12 cases clocks, 8 cases saffron, 114 cases soap, 11 cases perfumery, 26 cases art silk goods, 8 cases cotton net, 1 case canvas, 4 casks crucibles, 4 cases vizella, 11 cases cotton thread, 104 cases mixed tissue, 4 cases silk and cotton goods 2 cases cotton and woollen goods, 6 packages umbrellas, 19 cases cigars, 20 casks 18 packages 18 cases wax, 45 cases 12 bales tobacco, 1,000 bags almonds, 5 boxes specie, 1 box pearls, 1 case grease, 109 cases gum mastic, 4 cases rugs, 38 casks tallow, 49 cases cigarettes, 187 cases 4 bales cotton goods, 28 cases 3 bales woollen goods, 20 cases flannel, 52 cases castor oil, 25 cases salt, 2 cases glycerine, 86 cases vinegar, 1,178 cases O. stores.

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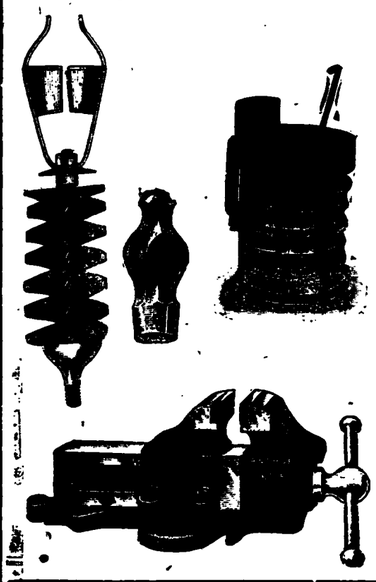

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CABLE QUOTATIONS.

COTTON.

LIVERPOOL COTTON.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

Liverpool, Dec 11th.

	Bales.
Total Day's Sales at Liverpool	7,000
" " Sales on Spec. & for Exp.	700
" " Sales of Amer. Descrip.	
" " Imports	31,000
Std. Americans	11.63
Surplus N. Y. N.	21.30
New York 11 a.m. (As known in Liverpool at closing time.) March	18.80
May	18.99
New Orleans 10 a.m. March	18.40
May	18 64

The Liverpool Cotton market will be closed on the 23rd., 25th., 26th., 30th. December and 1st. January.

OPENING TONE AND PRICES.

Liverpool, Dec. 11th.

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES:—

Months.	To-day's opening price.	
December	11.40	
Dec.-Jan.	11.40	
Jan.-Feb.	11.44	
Feb.-Mar.	11.50	
Mar.-Apl.	11.56	
Apl.-May	11.61	
May-June	11.66	+23
June-July	11.69	
July-Aug.	11.65	
Aug.-Sept.	11.32	
Sept.-Oct.	10.82	
Oct.-Nov.	10.60	
Nov.-Dec.	10.56	

Prices taken at 10-10 a.m. nearest actual values.

CLOSING PRICES.

Liverpool, Dec. 11th.

Months.	To-day's closing price.	
December	11.27	
Dec.-Jan.	11.27	-36
Jan.-Feb.	11.34	
Feb.-March	11.37	
March-April	11.44	-35
April-May	11.50	
May-June	11.58	-34
June-July	11.65	
July-Aug.	11.54	
Aug.-Sept.	11.24	-31
Sept.-Oct.	10.77	-24
Oct.-Nov.	10 62	-27
Nov.-Dec.	10.54	-25

CLOSING EGYPTIAN FUTURE PRICES.

Liverpool, Dec. 11th.

	To-day's price.	
March	19.10	+40
May	19.10	+45
July	19.10	

ADDITIONAL QUOTATIONS.

Liverpool, Dec 11 th.

M. G. Bengal	Good	8.09
" "	Fully Good	8.26
" "	Fine	8.45
" No. 1 Oomra	Good	8.59
" "	Fully Good	8.77
" "	Fine	8.95
" Broach	Good	10.74
" "	Fully Good	10.83
" "	Fine	11.10
" Bohlde	Good	7.99
" "	Fully Good	8.07
" "	Fine	8.35

U. S. COTTON CROP.

Washington Dec. 11th

The United States Agricultural Department estimates total yield of the Cotton Crop at 11,511,000 Bales.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

New York, Dec. 11th.

Day's Receipts at all U. S. Ports		41,000
Futures at New York March		18.11—94
" May		18.36—90
Spot Cotton at New York		18.00—75
" New Orleans		Nominal.
Futures at New Orleans March		17.94—88
" May		17.95—87

MONEY MARKET.

London, Dec. 11th.

Bar Silver Spot 80 1/8

EXTRA ALLOTMENTS.

London, Dec. 9th.

TRANSFERS.

On Calcutta Rs. 13,00,000 } 1-4 5/32
" Bombay " 7,00,000 }

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

Aden, Dec. 11th.

S.S. Mandala left yesterday Night (10th).

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BOMBAY MARKETS.

COTTON.

(From our Commercial Correspondent.)

BOMBAY, Dec. 11.

The market at Colaba opened for M. G. Good Broach at Rs. 380-8 and after small fluctuations the rate is practically unchanged.

Moderate business has been done in M. G. Good Broach and K/Akola.

Ready Cotton is in limited demand.

Quotations are:—

M. G. Good Broach, Rs. 380-8.
Bengal, Rs. 281-2.
K/Akola, Rs. 352.

Messrs. PATEL BROS. APPROXIMATE QUOTATIONS AT MID-DAY.

Bombay, Dec. 12th.

DESCRIPTION		DELIVERY. Jan. 1917	Mar. 1917.	April 1917	SPOT COTTON
Broach,	Good M.G	..	..	382	..
Broach,	Fine M.G.	..	396	..	New
Bengal,	F.G. M.G.	282	..	..	275/85
Bengal,	Fine M.G.	293	..	..	285/93
Bengal,	Superfine M.G.	..	..	..	300/10
Rajputana,	Fine M.G.	..	..	..	..
Sind Panjab,	Fine M.G.	..	..	..	285/95
Khan. Akola	Fine M.G.	352	..	..	355/65
Hitch/Amraoti,	Fine M.G.	..	..	..	360/70
Dhamg./Fulgaon,	Fine M.G.	..	..	..	..
Yeotmal,	Fine M.G.	..	..	..	..
Nagpore,	Fine M.G.	..	..	..	390/00
Hingt./Wardha,	Fine G.M.	..	..	..	..
Khandesh,	Fine M.G.	342	..	..	340/45
Khandesh,	F.G. M.G.	327	..	..	330/40
Khandwa Sanawad,	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..	..
Jalna	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..	355/65
Indore,	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..	..
Ujjain,	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..	..
Nander,	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..	..
Mathia,	Fine M.G.	..	..	..	..
Mathia,	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..	..
Saw Ginned Dharwar	Good	..	..	..	390/00
Coompta,	Good M.G.	..	..	..	420/30
Westerns,	Good M.G	..	..	..	400/10
Westerns	Good H.G	..	..	..	380/90

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COLABA, 12th December, 1916, 5-30 p.m

Growths.	Super-fine.	Fine.	Fully Good.	Delivery.
Bengals (M.G.)	305	293	282	.. 1/25th Jan. 17
Bengals (M.G.)	311	296	283	.. Ready
Scinde-Punjab (M.G.)	311	294	281	.. Ready
	303	291	280	.. 1/25th Jan. 17
Khandesh (M.G.)	..	350	334	.. Ready
	..	342	327	.. 1/25th Jan. 17
Jalna (M.G.) G.S.	..	..	330	.. Ready
Barsee (M.G.) G.S.	..	..	395	.. Ready
Oomra M.G. (Fair -Staple)	..	356	341	.. Ready
	..	..	..	..
Akola Khamg. Karanja (M.G.)	..	358	343	.. Ready
	..	352	337	.. 1/25th Jan. 17
	..	..	..	..
Oomrawatee descriptions (M.G.)	..	360	345	.. Ready
	..	352	337	.. 1/25th Jan. 1917
Dhamangaum Poolgaum (M.G.)	..	372	357	.. Ready
	..	357	342	.. 1/25th Jan. 1917
Yeotmal (M.G.)	..	376	361	.. Ready
	..	363	348	.. 1/25th Jan. 1917
Nagpore Kampti (M.G.)	..	395	380	.. Ready
	..	371	356	.. 1/25th Jan. 1917
Wardha H'ghat (M.G.)	..	388	373	.. Ready
	..	375	360	.. 1/25th Jan. 1917
Broach (M.G.)	..	394	..	.. 1/25th Mar. 1917
	..	..	..	382 1/25th Apl. 1917
Surat (M.G.)	..	..	..	..
Mathia (M.G.)	..	347	332	.. Ready
	..	348	325	.. 1/25th Jan 19.7
Bhagalkote-Bijapur (M.G.)	..	..	..	400 May-June
Sawgd. Dharwar	..	..	..	385 April-May
Westerns (M.G.)	..	..	..	395 April-May
Westerns (H.G.)	..	..	..	383 May-June
Compta (M.G.)	..	..	..	405 April-May
Miraj (M.G.)	..	..	..	407 April-May

WHEAT AND SEEDS.

Bombay, Dec. 12th—4 p.m.

The following are to-day's closing rates as issued by the Marwari Chamber of Commerce.

Ready.	Bazar Terms. Rs. a. p.	Rail Delivery Rs. a. p.
Wheat, White Delhi 70-80	42 0 0	6 15 0
" White Cawapore 70-80	42 0 0	6 15 0
" Karachi Bangla	42 0 0	7 0 0
Rapeseed, Brown Bombay	6 12 0	7 2 0
" Brown Cawnpore	6 12 0	7 2 0
" Yellow Cawnpore	7 0 0	7 6 0
Linseed, Brown Bold	9 13 0	10 2 0
" Brown Thin	9 6 0	9 12 0
Teaseed, White 85-15	45 0 0	10 0 0
" Gujar 75-25	46 0 0	9 10 0
" Black	41 0 0	8 8 0
" Gujar 50-50	44 0 0	9 3 0
Poppyseed, White	7 4 0	7 12 0
Groundnuts	44 0 0	.. ..
Mowraseed	4 4 0	4 10 0
Jowa	31 0 0	4 11 0
Arandia	40 0 0	.. ..
Forward.	Rs. a. p.	
Wheat April-May	6 3 1½	
Linseed May	10 13 0	
Teaseed White 85-15 Dec./Jan.	10 0 0	
" Gujar 75-25 Dec./Jan.	9 10 0	
" Gujar 50-50 Dec./Jan.	9 3 0	
" Black Dec./Jan.	8 3 0	

TREASURY BALANCES.

Balances held in cash in the Civil Treasuries of the Government of India and at credit of the Government in the Presidency Banks and their Branches on the last day of:—

November, 1914	Rs. 13,55,04,000
November, 1915	Rs. 12,46,57,000
November, 1916	Rs. 15,52,23,000

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HIGH COURT.

BOMBAY CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

THE ABDUCTION CASE.

ACCUSED PLEADS GUILTY.

A DAY'S SIMPLE IMPRISONMENT AND FINE OF RS. 1,000.

(*Before Mr. Justice Beaman.*)

KING-EMPEROR v. TAR MAHOMED NOOR MAHOMED.

In this case the accused Tar Mahomed Noor Mahomed was charged with kidnapping Nazni, a minor under sixteen years of age, from the lawful guardianship of her husband, Haji Mehdi bin Haji Ahmed Saif, in order that she might be induced to illicit intercourse, and with enticement, concealment and detention.

Mr. Mirza with Mr. M. K. Azad, instructed by Messrs. Mirza, Mirza and Mangaldas, appeared for the complainant, while Mr. J. D. Davar with Mr. K. M. Talyarkhan and Mr. R. J. Mody, instructed by Messrs. Patel and Ezekiel, appeared for the defence.

Mr. Davar said his client would plead guilty to the charges. This was a very unfortunate case in which it appeared at first sight that the accused had committed a very serious offence, but from the evidence they could come to no other conclusion but that the accused had subsequently done everything that a gentleman would do to restore her to her parents. The accused could not have believed that Nazni was under sixteen years of age and he believed her when she said that she had been ill-treated by her husband. Counsel asked the jury to remember that adultery was an offence in this country and in no other. The best reparation that a gentleman could do in a case like this was to offer to marry the woman and his client had offered to do so. Another fact which counsel asked the Court and the jury to remember was that in the Police Court his client's application for bail was resisted and he was in common jail for three months, which, counsel urged, must be considered as a sufficient sentence on the accused. His client was a young man with prospects in life before him and the three months that he had spent in Common jail should be considered sufficient punishment. He had advised him to plead guilty to the charge of kidnapping.

His Lordship enquired if the accused pleaded guilty to the other charges also.

Mr. Davar said his client did so.

His Lordship said that after the candid statement of counsel for the accused it would be wasting the time of the Court to go further with the case. The accused pleaded guilty to all the charges and he (his Lordship) asked the jury to return a verdict. They might add a recommendation.

The jury retired and on their return, his Lordship said that on further consideration, he thought that as the prisoner had pleaded guilty on all the charges, there was nothing for the jury to try. The jury was therefore discharged. Addressing the accused, his Lordship said that of the offences with which he had been charged, by far the most serious offence was that of kidnapping. The other offences were hardly of a penal nature at all and in any other country but this would not necessarily involve criminality. The accused had pleaded guilty to all the charges, and, in his Lordship's opinion, very rightly. He had stated that he had no idea that the girl was under sixteen. It appeared that she was, but of that the accused could not have been aware. His Lordship had no doubt himself and he had never had any doubt from the beginning of this trial that persistence in repudiating these charges, subject to the explanation that the accused might have offered, would have merely wasted public time and would have created an impression unfavourable to the accused. In respect to the offence of kidnapping his Lordship believed that the accused like other men might have supposed that the girl was of full age. That being so, the whole foundation of the criminality of this offence would be removed. Of course his Lordship believed that legally speaking the accused enticed the girl to go with him and that she went with him, his Lordship was sure, quite willingly, and that after that the accused treated her well. The law had however introduced a penal clause here, while in other countries enticement would have carried only a civil liability, as a result of which the husband would divorce the woman and the other party marry her. That the accused had already offered to do and he had also offered a substantial solatium to the husband. In this case the only serious offence was that of kidnapping a minor but this criminality was reduced by the reasonable belief from her appearance, which the accused entertained that she was not a minor. In view of this and other circumstances there remained little else than a civil wrong. His Lordship sentenced the accused to a day's simple imprisonment on all the charges, the sentences to run concurrently, which meant that he would be detained here till the rising of the Court, and to a fine of Rs. 1,000, in default, to one month's rigorous imprisonment. Out of the fine Rs. 500 were to be given to the husband, not as compensation but as part of his legal expenses.

Mr. Mirza said he wished to say that there was no understanding between the accused and the complainant, and that Nazni had indignantly denied that the complainant had ill-treated her.

BOMBAY POLICE COURTS.

SMART ARREST OF OPIUM SMUGGLER.

ACCUSED SENTENCED TO FOUR MONTHS.

At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, one Kifayatulla Inayatulla was charged before the Second Presidency Magistrate with illicit possession of 18 pounds of opium valued at Rs. 468.

It was alleged that the Assistant Collector of Excise, Mr. S. D. Smith, having been informed that opium was being smuggled into Bombay for exportation to China and Burma, had appointed Mr. N. C. Cama to investigate the matter. The latter understood that some opium was to go out on Monday evening and he and some other inspectors went and posted themselves at various points of Oomercarry and when the accused who was going along Jail Road with a bundle under his arm, reached Imammara, they all fell on him and searched him. In his bundle they discovered 18 lbs. of opium in two small bundles concealed in goat skin and tied in a pillow.

The accused, who said that the bundle was given to him by a person whom he could not identify, and that he did not know it contained opium, was convicted and sentenced to undergo four months' rigorous imprisonment.

Before the Chief Presidency Magistrate, at the Esplanade Police Court, Sub-Inspector Gole charged Abdul Raheman Ibrahim with possessing 110 tolas of opium without a license. Mr. N. N. Saher defended the accused. It was alleged for the prosecution that the accused was arrested near the entrance to the Alexandra Dock and on being searched the opium was found in a bundle under his arm. He was convicted and sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 200, or in default, to undergo six weeks' imprisonment.

RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY.

YOUNG CLOTH MERCHANT FINED.

At the Mazagon Police Court, the case in which a Hindu cloth merchant, 22 years of age, named Maganlal Khemraj, was charged by Sub-Inspector Nayampalli with receiving stolen property worth Rs. 41,096 belonging to Chintaman Narayan Shindhe, Ramachandra Anant Lad and Anant Purshottam Mehandle, was disposed of by the Fourth Presidency Magistrate.

The accused pleaded guilty.

The Magistrate who convicted the accused, said that he did not want to send him to prison as he was a mere youth of twenty-two. As, however, he (accused) appeared to have made a substantial profit by receiving the stolen property for the retention of which he convicted him, he ought to be made to pay a fairly heavy fine. So he ordered him to pay Rs. 350.

ALLEGED BLACKMAILING.

ACCUSED COMMITTED TO SESSIONS.

Before the Third Presidency Magistrate, at the Esplanade Police Court, Inspector Chapman charged Rustomji Beramji, a Parsi convert to Mahomedanism, with extortion and personating a police officer. The facts of the case have already appeared in these columns. The Magistrate ordered the accused to take his trial at the forthcoming High Court Sessions.

THEFTS AT THE DOCK.

Before the Chief Presidency Magistrate, at the Esplanade Police Court, Sub-Inspector Gole charged one Hira with the theft of ten seers of sugar from an open bag in No. 1 Shed, Victoria Docks. The sugar was concealed by the accused in his turban and around his waist. The accused was sentenced to 20 months' rigorous imprisonment as he had nine previous convictions.

Continued from Column 5.

Dubai, Bunderabas, Mohamerah and Basra will be closed at the Bombay General Post Office at 7-30 p.m. on Friday next.

CERCLE LITTERAIRE.

The third of the series of the lectures in French to be delivered by Mr. L. G. Khare, and which had to be postponed on account of his indisposition will be delivered by him this evening in the rooms of the Cercle at 6-15 p.m. Subject: "The Origin of the French Comedy."

MORTALITY IN BOMBAY.

A clean bill of health was returned in Bombay on Monday in regard to plague, small-pox and cholera. The total mortality during the day was 65, as compared with 78 on the corresponding day of 1915 and 64 of 1914. Out of a total of 3,291 rats caught on Monday, 17 were found to be plague-stricken.

PETIT CHARITABLE DISPENSARY.

The total number of patients treated in this Dispensary during the last month was 3,835, of whom 489 were Parsees, 1,449 Hindoos, 1,819 Mahomedans, 35 Christians and 44 of other castes. The daily average attendance was 128.

IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

An ordinary meeting of the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay was held yesterday, when Mr. J. P. Orr presided.

Consideration was given by the Trust to a draft application to Government for sanction to the Police Accommodation Scheme at Sandhurst Road East, Scheme No. 39.

A CHARITY SERMON.

The Rev. Alban Goodier, S. J., will preach a Charity Sermon in the Church of Our Lady of the Rosary, Mazagaon, on Sunday, the 17th instant, at 6 p.m. Owing to urgent financial demands made on the funds of the St. Vincent de Paul's Society, Matharpacady Conference, and the St. Isabel's (Ladies) Charitable Association, Mazagon Circle, the Rev. Father Goodier has very kindly consented to preach so that a collection can be made after the Sermon in aid of the Charities. The public are cordially invited. The St. Cecilia's Society attached to the Rosary Church will execute special music on the occasion.

A FRESH AIR EXCURSION.

On Sunday last a party of poor students from the Ideal Seminary Night School, Rokde Free Day School and Social Service League Mandvi Koliwada and Imamwada Night Schools, were taken to Elephanta caves on a fresh air excursion under the auspices of the Social Service League, Bombay. The boys came to Malet Bunder at about 8 a.m. in the morning and were served with tea and light refreshments. The party then started in two "machwas" which were given free of charge for this excursion by Mr. Dharmajirao Rokde. At Elephanta they were shown round the caves and were served with sweatmeats and food. The party started back in the evening.

BOMBAY CITY AND SUBURBS.

TO-DAY.

Parsi: 4th of Tir, 1286.
Hindu: 4th of Margashirsh (Vad), 1973.
Mahomedan: 17th of Safar, 1335.
Sunrise: 7h. 2m. 6h. 3m.
Phases of the Moon: New Moon, 25th Dec.

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS.

Meeting of the Standing Committee of the Bombay Municipal Corporation, 4-10 p.m.

THURSDAY, December 14.

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Mails for Lamu, Mombasa, Ibo, Chindi, Zanzibar, Quilimane, Mozambique, Beira and L. Marquis per s.s. Karoa will be closed at the General Post Office at 8 a.m. Correspondence for Natal, Cape Colony and other places in South Africa will also be forwarded by this steamer.

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DEATH.

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Troopers T. W. Youll, and A. W. Baker to be Squadron Rough Riders.

Leave:—The undernamed N. C. Officers are granted leave:—Corporal J. W. Hughes, "C" Troop, from 15th December, 1916 to 14th June, 1917, ex-India and Lance-Corporal J. G. Ridland, B. Troop from 23rd December, 1916 to 2nd January, 1917.

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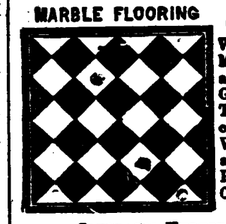

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THE BOMBAY CHRONICLE.

Wednesday, December 13, 1916.

INDIA AND THE NEW GOVERNMENT.

The most disappointing feature of the new Government, so far as India is concerned, is the retention of Mr. Austen Chamberlain at the India Office. India has undoubtedly made large sacrifices on account of the war. She has made them willingly and would willingly make larger ssacrifices in contributing any effort that is called for to assist the Empire in the supreme task of defeating the King's enemies and bringing about the triumph of the great causes for which the Allies stand in the present struggle. But one sacrifice that has been gratuitously forced upon her is the reversal of policy at the India Office, which was brought about by the establishment of the Coalition Government. Under Lord Morley there was inaugurated a policy of liberal progress and sympathetic consideration for the claims of Indian advancement, which had the unquestioned approval of the electors of the United Kingdom, and it was carried on through successive Parliaments, first under Lord Morley and then under Lord Crewe. There was nothing that justified in any way the reversal of that policy. The Coalition was formed in order that the war should be prosecuted by a government of a national character, in which all the parties in the State could unite in that great task. There was some surprise when the India Office, with cynical indifference to Indian claims, was handed over as a mere matter of convenience to a member of a party that had always stood for the very opposite principles of those which the mandate of the electorate had imposed on Parliament for the governance of this country. But it was naturally expected that the new Secretary for India would recognise that no mandate was or could possibly have been imposed on him to vary the policy of his predecessor. It was not just or even honest to do so. A position of strict neutrality should have been maintained. That very reasonable hope was gravely disappointed. Mr. Chamberlain considered himself free to pursue a policy sharply at variance with that which the last declared mandate of the electors imposed, and to use the patronage of his office as though he were a member of a party government.

It is not necessary at the present moment to go into all the details of the history of the Chamberlain regime which bear out what we have said. There is the plain fact that the India Office has become a Tory department and that Mr. Chamberlain's administration has created in this country among the educated classes feelings of distrust and resentment and apprehension for the future which are universal. The loyalty of India is unchangeable. But it is impossible to disguise the feelings of grave disappointment which now exist in regard to the way in which this country has been treated during the past two years and the apparent completeness with which the brave assurances of a new angle of vision have been forgotten, both by those who made and those who applauded them. There is a new policy but the angle of vision it represents is a change of a very different character from that which was promised. That the new policy is truly represent ative of the views and feelings of the people of the United Kingdom in regard to India we do not for a moment believe. That it represents what would be the *considered* attitude of a man like the new Prime Minister towards India is incredible. But in the exigencies of the situation in which he is placed by the necessity of depending upon Unionist support for the formation of a Government, India has to go to the wall, and her destinies are cynically handed over to the care of a man, whose whole equipment of principles and views is opposed both to those of the majority of the electors and the head of the Government; but who does not hesitate, none the less, to use the authority placed in his hands as though he had received a mandate from both for the carrying out of his own views and principles. Not merely the loyalty, but the contentment and affection, of the people of this country towards whatever Government may be in power in England should be assets of no small value during the remainder of the war. Was it not worth the while of Mr. Lloyd George to spare a few moments in the hurry of composing his ministry to consider India and to give her a Secretary of State of broad and progressive views, of imagination and statesmanlike sympathy. Mr. George has lost a great opportunity. It was given to him, had he chosen to avail himself of the occasion, once more to stir the affections of the people of India as they were stirred at the beginning of the war by the spectacle of the peril in which the Empire stood. He has instead taken a course which can only intensify the wide resentment which Mr. Chamberlain's regime at the India Office and the indifference towards the claims of India which made it possible, have already created.

But if things have been bad in the past the future which India has now to face is yet more ominous. We are told that there is to be a cabinet of five, which will devote itself to the prosecution of the war. That is all very well and possibly a sound arrangement, as regards the task that chiefly matters. But is it fair and honest, and is it expedient, to dispose of India like that? It may be all very well to leave the heads of such departments as the Board of Trade to run their own show, without that continuous cabinet control which has hitherto been an essential part of the Constitution. But what does such a system mean to India? It means handing over a vast empire of three hundred millions to an autocracy of a statesman who is not considered good enough for inclusion in the Cabinet. And when occasion arises, as we presume it must sometimes arise under the new dispensation, for some larger question of Indian policy or administration to be submitted for the decision of the Cabinet of five, three of the members will be Lord Curzon, Lord Milner and Mr. Bonar Law, who will do whatever the two former tell him to do. So India lies in the hands firstly of Mr. Chamberlain, and in the last resort of Lord Curzon, whose reactionary policy has produced all the troubles of this country during the past ten years and whose name is hated throughout the length and breadth of the land, and Lord Milner whose conception of Empire lies in the permanent subjection of the coloured races. We had better leave the matter there for to-day!

LORD RONALDSHAY'S APPOINTMENT.

A propos of our remarks yesterday on the public protest against the appointment of Lord Ronaldshay to the Bengal Governorship, it is interesting to recall the curious contretemps that arose in 1834-35, in the matter of the selection of a successor to Lord William Bentinck. There should have been no hesitancy in the choice had the interests of India alone been the predominant consideration. Sir Charles Metcalfe had been the right hand man of Lord William in carrying out his policy of peace, retrenchment and reform, and the Court of Directors, of which the chairman was Henry Tucker, himself a distinguished Indian administrator, by an overwhelming majority designated Sir Charles for the succession. The Board of Control, which had party interests more in view than Indian interests, vetoed the nomination of the Court. The Whig Government which vetoed Sir Charles Metcalfe's appointment went out of office towards the end of 1834 without designating any person to the Indian succession. Sir Robert Peel, who led the new Tory combination, confirmed the action of his Whig predecessors in vetoing Sir Charles Metcalfe's appointment, and selected a Tory peer, Lord Heylesbury. The selection was approved by the Crown in the early part of 1835. At a farewell banquet given to Lord Heylesbury, the Duke of Wellington, Sir Robert Peel and most of the other shining lights of the Tory party attended. The banquet was a little too previous. The Governor-General designate was to sail in April and ere that great event matured, Sir Robert Peel fell from office, and the Whigs, who were equally indifferent to Indian as to Tory party interests, vetoed Lord Heylesbury's appointment, their choice falling upon the Whig peer, Lord Auckland.

This is part of the general story of how high appointments under the Crown, whether in England or abroad, were given away to the Tapers and the Tadpoles. But, surely, we have travelled a long way in Imperial things since 1835, and we suggest that the perpetration of party jobs of the variety to which Lord Ronaldshay's appointment belongs is absolutely indefensible All of us are agreed that English politicians of recognised worth should come out as Governors,—men, whose training in British public life would enable them to take a dispassionate view of Indian political things. The essential prerequisite is that the newcomer should come with an open mind and without the slightest bureaucratic predilections. It is far better that he picks up knowledge as it comes than that he should bring to bear upon his work narrow and illiberal ideas. Nothing can possibly be worse than the case of one who has given expression to strongly illiberal views as to the fitness of Indians for political advancement, and more especially is this so in one who is to preside over Bengal administration. The repetition of the Bampfylde Fuller experiment in Bengal is always to be avoided. In the present circumstances of that province, it is worse than a blunder.

LORD CARMICHAEL'S SPEECH.

The appointment of Lord Ronaldshay becomes the more grave in its bearing on the future of Bengal in the light of the remarkable speech delivered by Lord Carmichael on Monday evening, in which he defended the uses made of the Defence of India Act by his government. The speech is so remarkable that we cannot attempt at the moment with the space at our disposal to deal with it fully and apply to it that complete and detailed criticism which it deserves. We are not greatly impressed by its special pleading for the arbitrary and drastic methods which have been employed to deal with a revolutionary movement that we are told at one time is significant of only a very small part of the population and at another is widespread and ramifying through every section of society. But we protest most emphatically and at once against the suggestion that the public of this country, and more especially of the province itself, should take the Government of Bengal on trust, when it tells us that it has not got evidence which it can take into courts of law, but that it has evidence which it believes, and that that the only way in which the conspiracy can be effectively dealt with is by *lettres de cachet* and Star Chamber proceedings.

What it amounts to is that the police, who have persistently failed when laid under the necessity of submitting their evidence to reasonable tests, have laid by the heels a large number of suspects under the Defence of India Act and having got them in their hands have accumulated a vast amount of "informers" evidence. Lord Carmichael cannot be surprised if the public refuse to take such evidence on trust or to accept his plea that unless the executive authorities, and particularly the police, are freed from the trammels of the law courts, they cannot deal with such a conspiracy, which can only be suppressed by their secret methods. That is an attitude which cannot be maintained if Lord Carmichael hopes to establish those relations between the Government and the loyal section of the population, for which he so earnestly pleads. The public must be taken into the confidence of the authorities, or at any rate there is no reason why the leaders of public opinion should not be.

We have the highest respect for Lord Carmichael's earnestness, sympathy and honesty of purpose, and it is clear that he has himself been convinced by his officers and the reports that have been made to him that it is only by such arbitrary drastic and secret instruments of repression as the Defence Act supplies that the canker in Bengal can be rooted out. But he has got to convince the public, and he can only do that by admitting some non-official element to the secrets which he possesses and allowing an impartial and searching scrutiny of the material his government has accumulated. A very easy way of doing that would be by the appointment of a secret commission of non-official gentlemen, in whom the general public have absolute confidence to carry out such a scrutiny. As things are now the public in Bengal believe, and believe very strongly, that the police have ruthlessly arrested, wholesale, men, young and old, on evidence of a very flimsy character. From some of these they have obtained statements of an incriminating character. Some of those statements may be reliable but the public knowledge of the way in which the statements of approvers and informers, whose evidence has satisfied Bengal policemen, have hopelessly broken down in court, and their experience of the methods by which such statements are obtained, is not an encouragement to accept Lord Carmichael's assurances without the presentation of those proofs which he says it is impossible to give. But Lord Carmichael is one thing and Lord Ronaldshay quite another. A regime of *lettres de cachet* and such methods under the mild and restraining influence of a Governor of the Carmichael type is the minimum which any province can be expected to tolerate. The supposition of such a regime under a Ronaldshay, unless the man is going to change all his hitherto expressed views and principles and cast aside all the traditions and associations of his political training opens up an appalling prospect.

Notes of the Day.

Regulation of Liquor Traffic.

The announcement contained in Reuter's telegram that drastic regulation of the liquor traffic is foreshadowed, it being understood that the general policy will be towards an entire veto of the consumption of spirits, is a most significant one. The continuance of this traffic has constituted the greatest menace to the vigorous prosecution of the war. From the earliest days of the war, efforts have continually been made to keep it within reasonable bounds. But in spite of the magnificent lead in abstinence given by his Majesty and the statesmanlike policy first adopted by Russia and then by France, the vested interests of the trade have proved too strong to allow the activities of the Board of Control created by Parliamentary statute to produce any appreciable results. The conclusion has thus gradually gained ground that something much more than these half measures is needed if the resources of the country, are to be most efficiently mobilised. Total prohibition will not merely be an economic, physical and moral gain. It will release an immense store of material invaluable for the production of munitions,—the most pressing need of the moment.

Traffic Problems.

It is perhaps a far distant ideal when the roads in every city will promote the pleasure as well as the convenience of its inhabitants instead of being as generally they are a fruitful source of nuisance, if not danger,—especially as vehicular traffic increases in number and weight. The restriction of such traffic to certain specified localities and roads is becoming gradually recognised in the West as one of the most important functions of a Municipality. In this City we are not yet far enough advanced even in the matter of regulating such traffic. At its last two meetings the Corporation considered a proposition for the prohibition of motor trucks traffic along Kalbadevi and Girgaum during certain hours. It was wisely decided not to settle this important question in a piecemeal manner. As both Sir Ibrahim Rahimtoola and Mr. Wacha pointed out, the whole question requires to be fully discussed in a comprehensive manner. We trust it will not be long before the Corporation will tackle the question in the manner indicated and, if necessary, move Government for undertaking necessary legislation.

Punchayats.

A Lucknow telegram states that the United Provinces Government have accepted the principle of Mr. Chintamoni's Resolution regarding the village panchayats. The Resolution recommends the Government to introduce a Bill for the constitution of these panchayats. The acceptance of the Resolution marks a further step in the advance already made by the United Provinces Government, who lately appointed a committee to consider the question. The report of the Committee was very favourable as to the necessity of the panchayats and we have no doubt that the Bill when drafted will meet the legitimate needs of the people. A Resolution on the subject was to have been moved by Mr. Patel at the last meeting of the Bombay Legislative Council, but its consideration was adjourned to the March session. Is it too much to hope that the Government of Lord Willingdon will, instead of awaiting the discussion on the subject, anticipate the popular demand and, of their own accord, take all measures facilitating the introduction at an early date of a well-considered and satisfactory Bill on the subject?

The Madras Advocate-Generalship.

Consequent upon the death of Mr. F. Corbet, on leave in England, the Madras Government will have to find a permanent incumbent for the office of Advocate-General. When Mr. Corbet went on leave, Mr. S. Srinivasa Aiyangar was given the officiating appointment, and it is not unlikely that he will be confirmed. The continuance of the Vakil-Advocate-General tradition will be very popular in the Southern Presidency where the Vakil bar has earned unique distinction. It is now nearly twenty years since a vakil, the late Sir V. Bashyam Aiyangar, was appointed to officiate as Advocate-General. The barristers set up a tremendous outcry against the Vakil usurpation, and the permanent appointment went to Sir Arnold White, who was subsequently appointed Chief Justice. Sir V. Bashyam again officiated as Advocate-General pending the arrival of Sir John Wallis. When the latter was appointed a puisne judge,—Sir V. Bashyam having meanwhile been raised to the bench,—Sir Sankaran Nair, a vakil, became *puckka* Advocate-General. When in his turn, Sir Sankaran became judge, Sir P. Sivaswami Iyer succeeded him, to be followed by Mr. F. Corbet, when Sir Sivaswami became member of the Madras Executive Council. It is just possible that Sir Sivaswami will be granted a solatium by being made to revert as Advocate-Generai. In any event, we may safely reckon upon the next Advocate-General in Madras being a vakil.

Classification of Criminals.

It is a commonplace of penology that the first offenders whose offences generally do not imply any moral turpitude, should not on conviction be imprisoned along with hardened and habitual prisoners. To keep these two classes together is the surest way of adding to the criminal population of the country. In most Western countries this principle has been carried out in practice. In this country, however, it has been accepted merely in theory, thanks principally to the notorious lack of sufficient jail accommodation. Latterly most of the Inspectors-General of Prisons in various provinces have shown signs of being imbued with sound notions of penology and some at least of the many prison reforms introduced long ago in Western countries, are being adopted in the prisons of this country. The separation of first offenders and habitual criminals is one of them, though it has been introduced by fits and starts, according to the discretion of the jail authorities. What is needed, however, is that adherence to the practice should be made obligatory on these authorities. The acceptance by the Government of the United Provinces of a Resolution on this subject moved by Mr. Raza Ali at the meeting of the local Legislative Council shows that they are keenly alive to the necessity of such a step.

Official and Personal.

Lord and Lady Willingdon arrived at Grant Road Station at 7-50 a.m. yesterday from Cambay.

Lady Willingdon took tea with the nurses at the Lady Willingdon Army Nurses Club at Admiral's House. Later in the evening her Excellency visited the Anglo-Indian Work Circle.

The following were guests at dinner at Government House yesterday:—

Sir and Lady Jamsetji Jeejeebhoy, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Orr, Mr. J. G. Bendien, Lieut.-Colonel F. W. Saunders, Lieut.-Colonel W. A. Gordon, Commander R. Suter, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. L. Whitty, Major T. T. Oakes, Major E. J. Arthur, the Rev. and Mrs. C. D. T. Mason, Mr. E. L. Norton, Captain J. E. G. Festing, Captain the Hon. N. F. Somerset, Mr. and Mrs. Basil N. Lang, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. McCausland, Mr. W. P. Pechey, Mr. H. P. Stringfellow, Mrs. Stringfellow and Miss Stringfellow, Miss Drake-Brockman, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Rimington, Miss Rimington, Mr. and Mrs. Alister Forbes, Aga Shah Rookh Shah, their Excellencies and Staff.

RUSSO-ROUMANIAN COUNTER OFFENSIVE.

ALLIED DEMANDS FROM GREECE.

FIGHTING IN EAST WALLACHIA.

SUCCESSFUL ROUMANIAN COUNTER-ATTACKS.

ENEMY REPULSED AT KIRLIBABA.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 11.

A Russian communiqué says:—The enemy pressed back the Roumanians along the high road from Ploesti to Mizion, but the Roumanians counter-attacked and restored their positions. A battle is proceeding.

An enemy attack at Kirlibaba failed.

The enemy is stubbornly resisting in the Valeputna region and in the Trotus Valley. There is deep snow and frost on the whole mountain front.

RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE IN CARPATHIANS.

CHECKS TO MACKENSEN'S ADVANCE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 11.

A German communiqué says, the Russians again strongly attacked in the wooded Carpathians and both sides of the Trotus Pass without success.

Mackensen's pursuing army is meeting with resistance at some points. The communiqué speaks of heavy rain soaking the ground. It also mentions that the Roumanians have destroyed bridges.

GERMANS BAULKED OF OILFIELDS.

PROPAGANDA TO UNDERMINE ARMY'S LOYALTY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 11.

German propagandists are very active in Roumania seeking to undermine the loyalty of the army offering grants of land to officers and men who are prepared to side with Germans. The latter proclaim their intention to confiscate the estates of pro-Entente prominent personages. The Germans are apparently baulked of the oil-fields as it is reported the oilwells were completely destroyed.

ENEMY ACTIVITY IN WALLACHIA.

PREPARING LINES OF DEFENCE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 12

A telegram from Petrograd says the Austrians and Germans are active in Wallachia, preparing lines of defence, fortifying favourable positions, constructing bridges of boats across the Danube at Giurgevo and Turnitseverin and employing the whole population above the age of fourteen.

The Roumanian retreat continues with the minimum loss.

It is authoritatively stated that the machinery of the oil-fields was destroyed and that it will be at least a year before it can be restored.

EAST AFRICAN OPERATIONS.

INVESTMENT LINE ADVANCED 60 MILES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 11.

Reuter's special correspondent at Mrogoro relates that the German General Wahle, while retreating from Tabore south-east in order to join the enemy's main force, was held up by a small British post under Captain Tom Marriott 40 miles south of Ngominge. After four days' fighting a relief force under Colonel Murray drove off Wahle, killing 61 of his force and taking 33 prisoners. Wahle fell back towards Mahenge.

A strong force which he detached with the object of enveloping General Northey, was cut off and surrendered. Seven white officers and 47 white men and 249 Askaris were taken prisoners. A howitzer, three maxims, ammunition and cattle were captured.

Captain Marriott has been awarded the Military Cross.

Our northern line of investment has now advanced 60 miles along a front of 200 miles, from New Iringa, Kissaki, Kissangire to the coast. The advance south-west-by-south from Kilwa has now penetrated 60 miles inland.

MARINE WAR RISK RATES.

GENERAL INCREASE ANNOUNCED.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 11.

A general increase in marine war risk rates is announced. The rates in the routes between India and the United Kingdom via Suez have gone up by three per cent., via Cape two per cent., Mediterranean one per cent., rates on routes between India and U. S. A. Atlantic Coast via Suez gone up two, and via Cape one per cent.

PREMIER'S STIRRING APPEAL TO M. P'S.

CONFIDENCE IN THEIR LOYAL SUPPORT.

VIGOROUS PROSECUTION OF WAR ASSURED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 11.

It is officially announced that the Prime Minister is suffering from severe chill and is remaining indoors to-day under the doctor's orders.

The Prime Minister has written to Members of the House of Commons:—

The King has entrusted me with the task of forming Government and I have carried out his Majesty's commands. I had hoped to make a statement in the House on December 12th. This is now impossible and Mr. Bonar Law will move an adjournment until the 14th. The one predominant task before the Government is the vigorous prosecution of the war to a triumphant conclusion. I am confident that the Government can rely on your support so long as they devote their energies effectively to that end.

LONDON, Dec. 12.

It is officially announced that the Prime Minister is better though he has been ordered to remain indoors for a couple of days.

The "Berliner Tageblatt" says that Mr. Lloyd George is a man of the greatest energy and determination and means to make war to the end.

TWO NEW MINISTERIAL APPOINTMENTS

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 11.

It is believed that Sir Mark Sykes will be Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and Mr. Hayes Fisher for Colonies.

MEETING OF WAR CABINET.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 11.

It is officially announced that the War Cabinet met to-day and will continue to meet every week-day.

THE NEW MINISTRY.

WELL RECEIVED IN THE COUNTRY.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 12.

The "Pioneer's" correspondent cables:—London, Dec. 8.—Mr. Lloyd George's seizure of the Prime Ministry is the most dramatic incident of modern political history. All his movements had the effect of driving Mr. Asquith out of office. He disclaimed association with the articles in "The Times" attacking Mr. Asquith's administration and thereupon Mr. Asquith consented to a smaller and more powerful War Council, but when it became apparent that Mr. Lloyd George would have sole unfettered control of the war, Mr. Asquith, refusing further negotiations, resigned. Mr. Asquith recommended Mr. Bonar Law to succeed him. Mr. Bonar Law made no serious endeavour to form a Cabinet and recommended Mr. Lloyd George. Mr. Lloyd George immediately undertook the task, which he intended to assume from the very beginning. Mr. Asquith and his intimate friends have refused to serve under Mr. Lloyd George. Mr. Asquith also declined a Peerage and the Garter personally offered him by the King. The country is manifestly with Mr. Lloyd George and his policy of greater energy in prosecuting the war. It has accepted Mr. Asquith's resignation with dry eyes. Mr. Lloyd George at once interviewed the Labour representatives, who were to some extent the masters of the situation. By a bare majority they agreed to transfer their support from the old guard to the new.

"FULL STEAM AHEAD."

Mr. Lloyd George has now completed the Cabinet. On Saturday he told a friend that it contained strong commercial and shipping elements and that the orders were "Full steam ahead." By an odd irony Mr. Lloyd George is the head of a Unionist, Labour and Business administration, while he himself is the only conspicuous Liberal in it. The old guard bluntly refused to serve. The Unionists offered their services unreservedly and most of them remain except Lord Lansdowne. Sir Edward Carson joins, Mr. Churchill does not. Despite violent newspaper attacks, Mr. Balfour is to be Foreign Minister, Lord Robert Cecil assisting. Labour is strongly represented. Mr. Barnes' promotion is popular and has been splendidly earned. Sir Robert Finlay becomes Lord Chancellor, thereby giving the new administration further needed weight. Mr. Lloyd George has brought new red blood into the Ministry by including Sir Albert Stanley, aged 41, the vigorous head of the Tubes and Motor Omnibus systems in London and other business men. Mr. Bonar Law obtains the second position in the Government. Though an ardent admirer of Mr. Asquith, he has been working heart and soul for the new administration. Lord Derby becomes War Secretary full of enthusiasm and vigour. The War Council was sitting yesterday. There were present Mr. Lloyd George, Mr. Bonar Law, Lord Curzon, Sir E. Carson, Mr. Henderson and Lord Milner.

Mr. Lloyd George declines to discuss the personal questions in the Reform Club speech. Mr. Asquith's Private Secretary saw him yesterday.

GERMAN EFFORTS FOR PEACE.

REICHSTAG UNEXPECTEDLY SUMMONED.

HOLLWEG CONFERS WITH NEUTRAL MINISTERS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 12.

A sitting of the Reichstag has unexpectedly been convened for to-morrow.

It will be most remarkable since the outbreak of the war and of historical importance. Members, including combatants, have been summoned by telegraph.

Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg, who has returned from Headquarters, received to-day the Federal Ministers and invited neutral Ministers to meet him. The Foreign Secretary received party leaders and party meetings were held in the forenoon.

Vienna, Sofia and Constantinople have approved the Chancellor's statement, the nature of which is at present unknown, but is assumed to relate to peace terms.

The unprecedented step of calling in neutral Ministers is evidently the effort by Germany to take advantage of the Roumanian success and re-open the question of peace. Colour is lent to this view by the fact that the Foreign Secretary, before the sitting of the Reichstag, will convey confidential information to party leaders, when, it is supposed, he will point out the political consequences of the operations in Roumania.

TORPEDOING OF THE MARINA

CLEAR-CUT VIOLATION OF PLEDGES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.

The State Department announces that complete information regarding the torpedoing of the steamer Marina makes the attack appear a clear-cut violation of Germany's pledges. Full information is awaited regarding the sinking of the Arabia before the next move is made.

GERMAN PIRACY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 11.

The following steamers have been sunk.—British, Forth; Norwegian Amicitia; Spanish, Bravo; Danish Nora.

LONDON, Dec. 12.

The steamer Strath Albyn has been mined. The Norwegian steamers Modum and Falk have been torpedoed.

ENTENTE GOVERNMENTS.

REMODELLING ON BRITISH LINES IN PROGRESS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PARIS, Dec. 11.

Remodelling is proceeding of all Entente Governments with a view to greater swiftness and uniformity in the conduct of war.

The French Government has finally decided on a small Cabinet following the British model. Mr. Briand is conferring with politicians and distinguished industrial and commercial personages.

It is stated that he intends to dispense with all old administrative staffs and changes in the higher command are expected soon. The intention is vigorously to reorganise in the administrative, economic and military directions and thus counter the enemy's efforts.

CHANGES IN ITALIAN MINISTRY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

ROME, Dec. 11.

Changes with a view to greater economic and military speeding up are imminent. A War Committee is being formed and the Ministry will be reduced.

ALLIES' TERMS TO GREECE.

COMPLETE DEMOBILISATION DEMANDED.

ALSO CONTROL OF POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 11.

Reuter learns that the Allied demands from Greece will probably include complete demobilisation, restoration of Allied control of posts and telegraphs and railways and the release of imprisoned Venizelists.

CONTROL OF LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

DRASTIC REGULATIONS FORESHADOWED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 12.

Drastic regulations of the liquor traffic are foreshadowed. It is understood that the general policy will be towards an entire veto of the consumption of spirits and that Government will take over the enormous stocks in connection with munitions.

AUSTRALIA'S RALLY.

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FORECASTED

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

,, MELBOURNE, Dec. 11.

Mr. Pearce, in a speech here, forecasted national organisation. He declared that the Government was determined to do its utmost to send reinforcements and material and munitions. Australia should send every bushel of wheat possible overseas. The speech was loudly cheered.

AUSTRALIAN WHEAT CROP.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

MELBOURNE, Dec. 12.

Adverse influences threaten appreciably to reduce the wheat crop. That of New South Wales may only be of the half original estimate and the crop in Victoria is much below expectations.

GERMAN LEVY ON BELGIUM

DEMAND FOR INCREASE REFUSED BY PROVINCIAL COUNCILS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

HAVRE, Dec. 11.

A conference of Belgian Provincial Councils has refused von Bissing's demand for an increase of the monthly levy from forty million to fifty million francs.

BELGIAN DEPORTATIONS.

SERIOUS RIOT AT TOURCOING.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 12.

It is reported that there was a serious riot at Tourcoing on the occasion of the deportation of civilians. A German soldier struck a civilian with the rifle-but whereupon the crowd attacked the escorting troops. Cavalry charged and 16 townspeople were killed.

REPLY TO AMERICAN NOTE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 12.

A telegram from Amsterdam says the German reply to the American Note regarding the deportation of Belgians makes the usual effort to lay blame on the British blockade, standing still of factories, etc.

CASUALTIES IN LATEST ZEPPELIN RAID

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 12.

The casualties in the air raid of November 27th were one man and three women killed, and 16 men, 14 women and seven children injured.

SOMME AND MEUSE FRONTS.

VIOLENT ARTILLERY ATTACKS.

FRENCH COUP-DE-MAIN AT BOISLE PRETRE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PARIS, Dec. 12.

A communiqué says, there was violent artillery fire at Ville au Bois, north-west of Rheims and in the Douaumont sector.

A *coup de main* was successfully carried out against enemy trenches at Bois le Pretre, west of Pontamousson.

FRENCH AIR-RAIDS.

FOUR ENEMY MACHINES BROUGHT DOWN.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 11.

A French communiqué this afternoon reports intermittent cannonade south of the Somme.

Two German aeroplanes have been brought down at Verdun and two in the Ghampagne. Our aeroplanes bombed the cantonments at Romagne-sous-les-cotes and a munition dump north of Verdun, where several fires broke out and powerful explosions occurred.

FIGHTING IN PICARDY.

SUCCESSFUL RAIDS ON ENEMY TRENCHES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 12.

A British communiqué reports successful raids eastward of Neuville St. Vaast and Armentieres, destroying machinegun emplacements and taking prisoners.

An attempted enemy raid eastward of la Boutillerie failed.

Hostile working parties at Fauquissart and Wieltuo were dispersed.

There was reciprocal artillery and trenchmortar fire at Loos, Arras and Ypres, and north of the Ancre.

BRITISH AERIAL EXPEDITIONS.

MACHINES PENETRATE FAR INTO BELGIUM.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 11.

The "Telegraaf" says that British aeroplanes have penetrated far into Belgium and pelted with bombs important military works at Brussels and elsewhere and the railway traffic was impeded.

They were also observed in the direction of Zebrugge, where they were subjected to violent fire from anti-aircraft guns.

STORMY SCENE IN FRENCH CHAMBER.

A PEACE MANIAC EJECTED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PARIS, Dec. 12.

There was a stormy scene in the Chamber during the debate on war credits. The Socialist Brizon, one of the three Deputies who recently met German socialists in Switzerland, vehemently protested against the prolongation of the war, the only result of which, he said, was to engulf millions.

A tumult ensued but Brizon persisted in spite of the opposition of the whole Chamber. The incident culminated in Brizon hurling a water bottle at the head of the nearest opponent.

The sitting was suspended amid a pandemonium and Brizon was ejected.

WOOL SPECULATION PROHIBITED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 11.

With reference to wool sales an Army Order has been issued which is interpreted as meaning that purchase and sale must be for actual contracts thus prohibiting speculation.

MR. ASQUITH'S ILLNESS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 12.

Mr. Asquith is laid up with influenza.

FIGHTING NORTH OF MONASTIR.

ENEMY'S DESPERATE RESISTANCE.

FRENCH PROGRESS NEAR VLAKLAR.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PARIS, Dec. 12.

The Germans and Bulgarians desperately resisted the Allied attacks north of Monastar. Fighting was very heavy north of Hill 1050, where a height was attacked by the Russians and changed hands frequently.

The French progressed 800 yards near the village of Vlaklar.

VIOLENT LOCAL INFANTRY ACTIONS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 11.

A Serbian communiqué reports violent local infantry actions. A fairly large number of prisoners has been taken.

ITALIAN SUCCESS ON CARSO

ENEMY ATTACK BEATEN OFF WITH LOSSES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 11.

An Italian official announcement says—Rain and snow have hindered the artillery in the Trentino.

We repulsed a surprise attack on the Carso. The enemy by night attacked in the Adria sector, but was beaten off with material losses.

DEATH OF SIR ROLAND VAUGHAN WILLIAMS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 11.

The deaths of Sir Roland Vaughan Williams and Mr. George Gilbert White are announced.

The Rt. Hon. Sir Roland Lomax Bowdler Vaughan Williams, Kt., P.C., was Lord Justice of the Court of Appeal from 1897 to 1914. He was educated at Christ Church, Oxford, and was appointed Judge of the Supreme Court, Queen's Bench Division in 1890 and held that post till his elevation to the Court of Appeal. He was a Barrister of Lincoln's Inn. He was knighted in 1890 and was made a Privy Councillor in 1897. He was 78 years of age.

The late Mr. George Gilbert White, C.S.I., entered the P. W. D. in India in 1877. He was appointed Assistant and Executive Engineer, Central Provinces (1878-1901); Superintending Engineer and Secretary to Agents of Governor-General, Rajputana and Central India (1901-05); Chief Engineer, Burma (1905-06); Chief Engineer and Secretary to Local Government of Burma (1906-12); and Member of Legislative Council, Burma, (1908-12). He was 59 years old at the time of his death.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 11.

December 23rd and January 1st have been proclaimed Bank Holidays, but not general holidays.

TO-DAY'S WAR SUMMARY.

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CRIME IN BENGAL.

APPLICATION OF DEFENCE OF INDIA ACT.

LORD CARMICHAEL'S JUSTIFICATION.

REMARKABLE SPEECH.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 11.

His Excellency Lord Carmichael held his last Durbar at Government House this evening for the purpose of investing 29 gentlemen with titles. His Excellency took this occasion to announce in the course of a lengthy speech, after the ceremony was over, the policy of Government in repressing political crimes in Bengal. His Excellency also referred to the internments recently made under the Defence of India Act, on which subject a deputation of Indian public men had met him on Saturday last.

In the course of his speech the Governor said:—"The war has brought about many results. One, which we had all hoped for and which I trust would be one of the most lasting, is the increase in mutual respect and friendship which alone can firmly bind Bengal and India to the British Empire and which will, I believe, ensure that India shall some day be as integral a part of the Empire as Britain herself is, or as the Dominions overseas are. The war has taught us to realise more clearly than we ever did before that, if the British Empire is to go on being the greatest Power in the world for good, every part of that Empire, India no less than any other, must be allowed and, if need be, helped to develop to the full all that its people feel themselves capable of doing for the mutual welfare of the whole. There is encouragement in that thought, and for no part of the Empire is the encouragement greater than it is for Bengal. Many hopes have been raised, and when many hopes are raised there is always risk of disappointment, for all men have not the same knowledge. Still, speaking generally, I believe we have a right to expect that when the war does end an advance will be made in the direction, which those with whom the ultimate control rests think will be that of progress, and probably we all hope that the advance will be along the lines which we each for ourselves look on as those of true progress. I am not going to discuss what these lines should be, I only want to ask those of you who are looking forward hopefully to consider whether you cannot help to make the progress easier or at any rate to remove anything which hinders it. Enmity between the Government and people is a hindrance and when such enmity exists we ought to try to understand its cause and to so modify things that mutual esteem may take place. Some people, in a position to judge, say that there is much of such enmity in Bengal just now. I think they exaggerate, but, all the same, I feel that there is risk in more than one direction of such enmity growing up. There is risk undoubtedly in the way in which the people regard the Defence of India Act, in the state of things which brought about the Act, and in the way in which the Act is administered. The danger is not as great as some people fancy, but it is far greater than many, who have given thought to it, know. There are many people, Englishmen as well as Indians, who hardly realise as clearly as they should that the Act, though due to war and though passed mainly to meet evils arising out of the war, or connected directly with the war, was also passed in order to deal with the danger to society which existed in Bengal long before the war was even thought of by most people, and which may last and may even become worse after the war is ended. I need not dwell on that fact, it is patent to all who read the speeches made during the passage of the Bill through the Viceroy's Council. But I want to tell you that you will render distinct services to Government if you point out to any one, who is honestly ignorant of it, that the Act was deliberately meant to be used in Bengal against other enemies than those only who knowingly help the foreign foes of the King-Emperor. It was meant to be used while the war goes on and for six months after against those who instigate or who perpetrate crimes, generally spoken of as political crimes.

DEPLORABLE IGNORANCE OF REAL EXTENT OF CRIME.

There is a great deal of ignorance about these crimes and it is this ignorance which I deplore. I believe that if the people in general knew the nature and extent of the crime which the Act was passed to combat, they would gladly help in overcoming it. But it is only slowly and gradually that Government had learned the truth and the people have as yet had no means of knowing at all accurately the nature and extent of the crime. They have sometimes seen it proved in the courts that crimes were committed by persons accused by Government, but they have also seen accusations break down in the court, and they believe that Government has often, indeed they think as a rule, been unable to find any one whom it could charge with committing crimes. From this they have concluded, not perhaps unnaturally, that Government has been on the wrong track and many people have gone further and have complained that Government, because it was on a wrong track and because it looked on common ordinary crime as political, did not put down the crime as it ought to have done. I know there is now a change of feeling. I think our beliefs are well founded, therefore I act on them. I know that very few of those whom I govern hold those beliefs, therefore I am not surprised that many of them disapprove of my actions. I am sorry for this, but it is prefectly natural to a great extent. It is unavoidable and I do not complain. If you know and believe the facts on which my conclusions are based, you would I feel sure, come to much the same conclusions as I do. But you do not know the facts and the pity of it is that I am not in a position to furnish you with them in the way which would best convince you. I and my colleagues believe that there is in Bengal a widespread and well organised conspiracy whose aim is to weaken the present form of Government, and if possible to overthrow it by means which are criminal. No British Government can complain if people whom it governs wish to modify its form, or to take any legal steps to bring about a change. Government may regret such a wish; it may oppose changes in every legal way. But it will not be true to British tradition if it does more. But no Government can tolerate the use of crime to overthrow it, or to weaken it. A Government which did that would be untrue to the people whom it governs. It is our plain duty to put down conspiracy with a firm hand. I believe, and my colleagues believe, that only too many men and boys are actively engaged in that conspiracy, though with very varying degrees of complicity.

VARIOUS TYPES OF CRIMINALS.

H. E. the Governor then proceeded to describe the various types of criminals: first, the not very large group which formed the brains of the conspiracy who instigate and inspire others; next the hands of the conspiracy who actually commit orimes, who have been necessary to murder and almost all have been dacoits. "They may have begun with high ideals, but have long since become common criminals. There is also a large group, many quite young men and boys, many are almost innocent, others nearly as guilty as the two previous groups. The worst are those who act as recruiters for the movement, gradually inducing young men and boys who have shrunk from crime to look on it with admiration. Only too often these men are school-masters who use the noblest part of the boy's nature as a means to their end. These recruiters are enemies to their own country and it is about them that there is the greatest ignorance. It is their guilt which is most hard to prove. They act necessarily in a hidden way. They have to practice deceit and they teach deceit. They have their difficulties. they have to undermine loyalty taught by fathers and guardians and they have to overcome the natural aversion to crime of the youngmen themselves. What we know of them, we have learned almost wholly from those whom they have led astray, but who have often too keen a sense of honour, and are sometimes too frightened to tell all they know. In attaining their end they use terrorism as well as persuasion, and I feel certain, I am sorry to say, that they often seize the opportunity which membership in a charitable society like the Ramkrishna Mission or a participation in relief of distress gives them, to meet and to influence boys who have noble ideas, but who have not enough experience to judge where a particular course must lead. I have the highest respect for the Ramkrishna Missson and for societies like it. I know of nothing more worthy of encouragement than the social service which these societies exist to promote, and there is nothing in India which I deplore more deeply or of which it has been harder to convince me, than the fact that mean and cruel men join these societies in order to corrupt the minds of young men, who would if only they were not interfered with be benefactors to their fellow-countrymen. Such societies naturally attract public sympathy. People think that all who take part in their work must be good men. You can do no greater service to your country, than by trying to prevent these societies being used by those who are doing such infinite harm not only to Bengal, but to all India. That is a risk which many young men in Bengal, sons and relations of loyal Government servants, sometimes of my own friends, undoubtedly run. I absolutely believe this, and I shall act very wrongly indeed, if I do not do all I can to stop it. I am sure that you will think that Government can hardly be too stern in measures which it takes against the brain or against the hands of the conspiracy, and particularly in stopping the machinations of recruiters, and if you think, as I fancy you will, that Government ought to be tender in dealing with those poor boys, whom I have described as being often thoughtlessly, sometimes unwillingly, caught in the toils of the conspirators, I shall not disagree with you. But if you think the matter out, you will, I believe, admit that until the really wicked dangerous people are under control, Government will not act fairly by the mass of people if it refrains from any measures, even those which seem somewhat severe, which tend to break up that part of the organisation which helps the dangerous men, and which is used as a recruiting ground to swell their ranks. In the interests of the boys themselves, and still more in the interests of innocent boys, we must take steps to prevent those who are not yet hopelessly involved in crime from running further risks, or from doing, even if unwillingly, harm to the public weal.

PUBLIC TRIALS INADVISABLE.

You may say, "Why does not the Government prove the truth of its belief to the public in a way which every one, however reluctant to account evidence, would feel to be convincing by bringing and winning the case against the conspirators in a court of law." If I only could, I would try to prove the truth in that way. But I frankly confess to you that up till now Government has not been able and perhaps for a long time yet, may not, be able to do so, for the reason that the evidence on which our belief rests, though to my mind clear and in some respects overwhelming, is not evidence which we can even put forward in a court of law. It is not only or chiefly the evidence of police officers, or of ordinary informers. The far greater part of it is that of the men who admit that they themselves have taken a share in crimes, or in helping others to commit crimes. It has been given to us in such a way and in such circumstances that Government cannot in common fairness, nor in common honour, use it in a court against those who gave it or against their associates, and apart altogether from common fairness and common honour, law or, at any rate, the practice of courts, would prevent its even being tendered. I quite believe that if the evidence were made public, even though it were not used in an attempt to secure punishment for any one, it would to a great extent convince the public of the existence and magnitude of the danger. Some day it may be possible to make it public, but that time is not yet. There is grave risk, probably more than grave risk. Certainly, that if we were to publish in detail now what we know, some who have given us information and some who have not given us information, but who could have given it, would be made to pay for it perhaps with their lives. Some of you know that that is true. Only a few days ago I spoke to one of you, one who has influence, who has eloquence and who knows how to use both, and who, I believe, hates crimes as much as I do. He told me that if he were to go, as he would like to go, to certain places in Bengal and were to denounce the crimes publicly, as he would like to denounce them, he would do it at the risk of his life and I told him that that is not a risk which he ought lightly to undertake, and is certainly not the risk which I ought to ask him to undertake. The responsibility lies on my shoulders and those of my colleagues to do all we can to put down the crime, and we have no right to try to shift any portion of that responsibility on to any one, especially if he is in a weaker position than we are in, to meet the hostility which responsibility evokes. That, gentlemen, is the reason why Government cannot, under the present circumstances, adopt the some very attractive suggestions which have been made to us. I believe that we cannot stamp out the evil by executive methods alone; we must have popular opinion with us. We cannot have popular opinion with us unless we induce the people to think somewhat at least as we think, and I fear we shall not do that until we can publicly prove that the facts are as we believe them to be. That we shall prove this eventually, I have no doubt. But we cannot do so yet. All we can do just now is to indicate the nature of our conclusions and to ask you to believe, if you can conscientiously do so, that our conclusions may be well founded. It has been the Defence of India Act which has enabled us to form our conclusions. Had it not been for that Act we should not have gained the knowledge which has, I honestly believe, enabled us to prevent crimes and which will, I hope, help us to prevent yet more crimes and perhaps to get rid of the conspiracy altogether. The Defence of India Act aims at the prevention of crime rather than at its punishment, and as a preventive Act it has been success. I confidently assure that it has saved Bengal from much crime and from much suffering which that crime would assuredly have brought on. I do not admit, I do not believe, that we have administered the Act harshly. Neither I admit nor I believe, that we have administered it weakly.

PLEA FOR MUTUAL TRUST.

His Excellency then proceeded to justify the caution with which the Act had been used and reasons against precipitate or indiscriminate action, and continued:—"Our administration of the Act may at times have to be modified. It must be adapted to circumstances as they arise. As our knowledge becomes more complete and as we get more control over the most dangerous of those with whom we are contending, we shall be able rightly to refrain from using our full powers against those who are less dangerous. Some of those with whom we are contending are implacable enemies of the State, whom it is, humbly speaking, impossible to reclaim. Against these we must exercise our fullest powers. We should be wrong to do otherwise. But there are others, who may, I hope, sooner or later be reclaimed, and I assure you that Government does not lose sight of that fact itself. Government, though it may be powerful and successful, can never, from the British point of view, be good Government unless it is trusted by the people and I beg of you to think whether you cannot use your influence, not only to prevent people from coming to hasty conclusions, to which they would not come if they had fuller knowledge, but also to prepare the way for a full consideration of the question which must in any case come up after the war, and which I personally think cannot come up too soon. The question is how to alter the state of affairs, which so many of our most thoughtful and best intentioned young men are ready to tolerate, some of them even to join a conspiracy, which in the interests of Bengal more than of any other part of the Empire, it is our duty to destroy. If you can do this you will do well, for you will help to win for the service of the Empire abilities and enthusiasm which will, I believe, do no less here than similar abilities and enthusiasm have done in other parts of King George's dominions to make his Empire one of which his Imperial Majesty and all of us shall alike be proud.

CALCUTTA SHARE MARKET.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 12.

By the order of the Committee the Stock Exchange was closed to-day to enable brokers to complete their deliveries which have recently suffered from great delays owing to the unprecedented number of transactions that have been put through every day.

The Bank of Madras rate of interest remains unchanged.

TATA IRON AND STEEL CO.

INCREASE OF CAPITAL.

SCHEME OF DISTRIBUTION OF PROFITS CRITICISED.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Tata Iron and Steel Company was held yesterday at the registered office of the Company, Navsari Buildings, Fort, Bombay, Sir Sassoon J. David presiding.

The Chairman said:

It must be a matter of regret to you as it is to me that Sir Dorab Tata is unable to preside at this meeting, on account of his duties with the Industrial Commission. I have the honour therefore to preside at this meeting. My task however is made much lighter by the speech which Sir Dorabji delivered at the annual general meeting. There he considered with you the future of the Company in glowing but not exaggerated terms. There he spoke to you about large output, diversification of products and low costs, but he clearly pointed out to you that all this was on the assumption that the projected extensions were made. We are met here to consider the ways and means for bringing about these extensions, that is to say, by raising the capital of the company; and I have to place before you the first resolution that has just been read. The shares, the issue of which the resolution contemplates will, as you are aware, be offered to the present shareholders, and after the resolution has been passed and confirmed, the Directors will fix up the details of the scheme for allotting these shares to the shareholders, which is set out in the circular letter that has been sent to the shareholders along with the notice of this meeting, and I think it is unnecessary to go through it in detail on the present occasion.

Another resolution which will be placed before you is about the preferance shares, and they will be issued when the Directors think fit to do so. There is also a resolution about altering some of the Articles of Association of the Company. Some of the alterations are of a formal character, and are necessitated either by the New Companies Act, which has come into force, or by experience. Attention of the shareholders is particularly drawn in the circular letter to some of the important alterations. The Directors have at their several meetings fully considered this matter, and are confident that the same are in the best interests of the Company.

The Chairman then moved the following resolution:—

"That the capital of the Company be increased by the creation of one hundred and fifty thousand new Ordinary Shares of the nominal value of Rupees Seventy Five each and Twenty-six thousand two hundred and fifty new Deferred Shares of the nominal value of Rupees Thirty each."

Sir S. B. Broacha seconded the resolution.

CLAIMS OF DEFERRED SHARE-HOLDERS.

Mr. Navroji M. Dumasia moved as an amendment that the scheme as proposed by the Directors be embodied in the resolution: He said that the shareholders were asked to increase the capital for extending the company's works. Incidentally a large number of alterations in the Articles of Association were also proposed to be passed and these alterations were supposed to make the Articles of Association come in accord with the provisions of the Company's Act of 1913. Among the numerous shareholders of the Company, he did not think there was one who was opposed to the extension scheme, which when completed would open a brighter and more prosperous industrial era in the country but he urged that one would have thought that the main resolution would embody in the first place such provision as was necessary for the main purpose of the scheme. As it was the first two resolutions as to the increase of capital beyond providing for increase as such, left the whole thing absolutely in the air. He did not oppose the scheme, but pointed out that there was a great deal of indignation among the holders of deferred shares on account of a disproportionate increase in the shares of that denomination and the consequent change in the ratio that formerly existed between the ordinary and deferred shares.

The Chairman said the Directors had fully considered the matter. Practically every word of the amendment was what they had put in the report and in view of this he hoped Mr Dumasia would withdraw the amendment. He assured them that no change would be made.

Mr. Dumasia said the Directors should at least fix the date for the allotment of the new shares to the old shareholders, and coupons should be issued.

The Chairman said the date would be the 28th February, and coupons would be issued to those shareholders whose names stood on the register on that date.

Mr. Dumasia withdrew his amendment.

The Hon. Mr. Chunilal V. Metha moved and Mr. Narotam Morarji Gokuldas seconded the following resolution:—

"That the Directors of the Company be and they are hereby authorised at their discretion from time to time or at any time, without the sanction of any special Resolution of the Company to further increase the capital of the Company to an extent not exceeding Rupees one Crore by the issue of new preference shares, of such value as they may think fit, to rank *pari passu* with the preference shares in the original capital of the Company, or otherwise as the Directors may determine."

The resolution was carried.

The meeting then passed several formal amendments to the Articles of Association so as to bring them in line with the provisions of the new Companies' Act.

AMOUNT OF BROKERAGE.

Discussion turned upon the amount of brokerage. It was proposed to empower the Directors to give 5 per cent. brokerage to others including underwriters.

Mr. Dumasia said the rate of brokerage proposed was an exhorbitant one and he moved as an amendment that the clause be dropped.

Mr. Acworth said that because they had put the brokerage at not exceeding 5 per cent. it did not necessarily mean that 5 per cent., brokerage would be given. They were not bound to give it and it was possible that they might give only 2 per cent. The resolution only empowered the Directors to put the shares under the underwriters' commission.

Mr. Dumasia withdrew the amendment.

RESERVE FUND.

The descussion then turned as to the amount which the Directors should have the power to carry to the reserve fund.

Mr. N. M. Dumasia said that under this clause the directors wanted to be empowered to take an unlimited amount of profits to the reserve fund. The shareholders had full confidence in the present directors but he asked what guarantee they had that future directors would not abuse this power. The shareholders would in that case be absolutely at the mercy of the directors. He moved that this clause be dropped.

AN UNFAIR PROPOSAL.

The Hon. Sir Ibrahim Rahimtulla said the proposal put forward by the directors was highly unfair to the present shareholders, who had built up the stability of the Company. They would have no objection if the shareholders were given half the profits and the other half was then carried to the reserve fund. Under the resolution the directors could give only 8 per cent. of the profits to the ordinary shareholders and 25 per cent. to the holders of deferred shares, and could take the rest of the profits to the reserve fund. The question was whether the directors should be empowered to carry the whole of the rest of the profits to the reserve fund. If they carried most of the profits to the reserve fund the old shareholders who had got practically nothing for the last few years would suffer while at the end of five years or so the new shareholders would get all the benefit.

Mr. Acworth said that at present even if the profits were a hundred per cent. the directors could not take more than 20 per cent. to the reserve fund.

The Hon. Sir Ibrahim Rahimtulla said that under the proposal if the profits did not reach a certain figure the shareholders would not get any dividend.

The Chairman said that under the rules they could not take more than 15 per cent. to the reserve fund unless they gave something by way of dividend.

The Hon. Sir Ibrahim said the directors could give a very small dividend if they wished. That would be unfair to the shareholders.

DIRECTORS' PROPOSAL LOST.

The directors' proposal was put to the vote and lost.

A poll was demanded and the 10th January was fixed for taking the poll.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman, terminated the proceedings.

U. P. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

CONSTITUTION OF VILLAGE PANCHAYATS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

LUCKNOW, Dec. 11.

At the meeting of the United Provinces Legislative Council the motion for leave to introduce the Agra Pre-emption Bill, the discussion of which had been adjourned at the Allahabad meeting, was taken up. Lr. Sunderlal, in supporting the motion, referred to the history and growth of the custom of pre-emption and thought it would be a boon to the people if the existing custom and usage were codified.

His Honour, who had no intention of speaking on the motion, thought it necessary to explain the Government attitude after hearing Dr. Sunderlal on the subject. His Honour said that the Bill did not simply seek to codify the existing custom in regard to pre-emption, it went much further. However, His Honour suggested as a compromise that the Bill should be withdrawn and promised to refer the matter for detailed enquiry to the districts.

The Hon. Mr. Chintamani's resolution regarding panchayats, which was first discussed at Allahabad, was also taken up. The resolution was accepted in principle and recommended to the Lieutenant-Governor the introducing of a Bill for the constitution of village panchayats.

LUCKNOW, Dec. 12.

At the adjourned meeting of the Legislative Council to-day Mr. Raza Ali recommended that the conditions of jail life should be improved in such a manner as to provide separate accommodation for those prisoners whose offences did not imply moral turpitude and thus prevent their coming into contact with habitual or undesirable criminals.

Colonel MacTaggart said arrangements were already in force to keep first offenders apart from habitual criminals and all that could be done with funds at their disposal had been done.

Mr. O'Donnel expressed the Government agreement with the spirit of the resolution which was unanimously accepted.

The ceremony of the foundation-stone of the Mody Bag of the Bazme Roze Behram will be held at Navsari to-day. This building is to be erected through the munificence of Mr. Rustamji Nanabhoy Boyce of Messrs. Boyce and Co. of Bombay and Belgaum.

A crowded meeting of the citizens of Hubli was held on Sunday last to give public expression to their grief at the death of Dr. K. P. Gokhale. Several speakers paid eloquent tributes to the deceased.

INDUSTRIES COMMISSION.

GERMANS AND MONAZITE IN TRAVANCORE.

(From our Correspondent.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 12.

At the resumed sitting of the Industries Commission this morning Dr. H. A. Hayden, Director of Geological Survey, was the first witness examined and in the course of his evidence gave a detailed account of the scope of the work of the Department. He said a comparison of the cadre of the scientific departments in India with that of similar departments in any of the leading eastern countries, showed that this country was considerably understaffed.

TRAVANCORE MONAZITE INDUSTRY.

Sir Thomas Holland examined witness at considerable length about the discovery of monazite in Travancore and the passing of the industry into German hands.

Did any officer of the Geological Survey enter Travancore between 1905 when the suggestion was made by the Imperial Institute and 1909 when the monazite discovery was made?—No officer visited Travancore during that period.

The following statement was published in a London paper, "The Indiaman," of 8th September, 1916: "There can be no doubt that if the Geological Survey of India had recognised that Travancore was rich in monazite and if the deposits had been brought to the notice of various British firms interested the Indian monazite supplies would not have fallen into German hands." This statement not only challenges the system of administration in your Department, but reflects on the personal efficiency of the officer who acted as Director after my departure from India and before you took over charge. It is important therefore to know (1) whether on learning of the discovery of monazite in Travancore any steps were taken to verify it; (2) whether the attention of the Government was drawn to the importance of the discovery and (3) whether and what steps were taken to inform the pubic?—Messrs. Pearson and Sehomburg who were both prospecting in South India, were in close touch with the Geological Survey and frequently sent specimens for determination. As soon as monazite was discovered in Travancore we asked them for specimens which were forwarded to us with full information. Immediately on hearing of the discovery the the Officiating Director of the Geological Survey drew the attention of the Government to it and to its probable importance and suggested that the Travancore Darbar should be asked to permit an officer of the Geological Survey to visit the deposits. Attention was drawn to the discovery in the next issue of the records which happened to be the Quinquennial Review of mineral production for the years 1904-8, a publication which has a wider circulation than any other issued by the Geological Survey.

What was the nationality of the company that was granted a lease to work monasite sands in Travancore?—British.

Did this pioneer company obtain a monopoly of the known monazite deposits in Travancore?—No. A Company is at the present moment I believe working or preparing to work areas which were not taken up by the original company.

Can you then give any idea as to how the monazite came to be sold to Germany and how the company came virtually under the control of Germans, in other words what was the real origin of what a writer in "The Indiaman" describes as "the scandal of the German capture of Travancore monazite" which he attributes to the negligence of the Geological Survey?—According to a letter in the "Journal of Gas Lighting" of September 1st, 1914, from the Secretary of the Travancore Minerals Company, that company had made a contract for the whole of its output with the only firm in Europe capable of taking such an output. It was further stated that up to the outbreak of war only one application had reached the company for supplies of Monazite from England and that applicant was supplied all sands that were asked for. According to "The Times" of October 14th 1916, although the Government of India had originally made a special reservation that none but a British company should hold the concession enquiries subsequently proved that the company was British only in name although it was registered in England and that all preference shares and a largo number of ordinary shares were held in trust for the Deutsche Gasluh Light Gesellschaft of Berlin, the nominal holders being an English company.

ALL-INDIA MOSLEM LEAGUE.

Intending delegates and visitors to the Lucknow sessions of the League are requested to note the following directions:—

The members of the League and the non-member Musalmans arriving from different parts of India should label their luggage properly with their names and the names of their respective places and Provinces distinctly. Gentlemen desirous of attending the Sessions of the League, should owing to the climate of Lucknow being very cold in December, bring warm bedding and clothing to cope with the situation.

Nothing will be charged from the representatives of the newspapers. But at all events they will have to secure a ticket from the Office of the All-India Moslem League. These tickets, which are not transferable, are available from the 26th of December, 1916.

The Sessions of the League will be held at the historic building of Kaiser-bag Baradari. The necessary arrangements are in progress and a beautiful platform in the spacious hall is nearing completion.

Informations as to the time of starting and the expected arrival at Lucknow should be sent by wire by the members of the League immediately they start.

The Sessions of the League this year bids fare to be of great importance and one remarkable feature of this year's Sessions is that many Hindoo Volunteers have applied for the volunteership of the Moslem League.

Every measure is being concerted for the comfort of the non-members and members of the League, who are requested to send intimation of their wants to Mr. Azhar Ali Vakil, as has already been announced, not later than the 20th instant.

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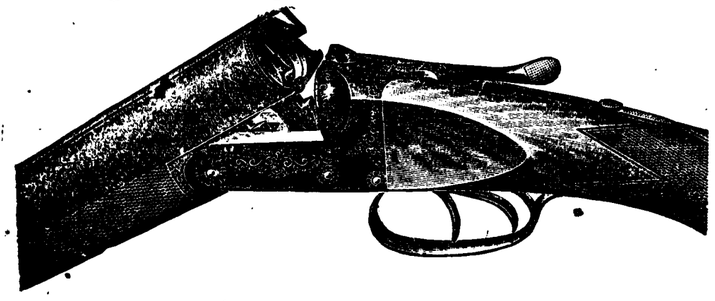

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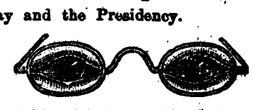

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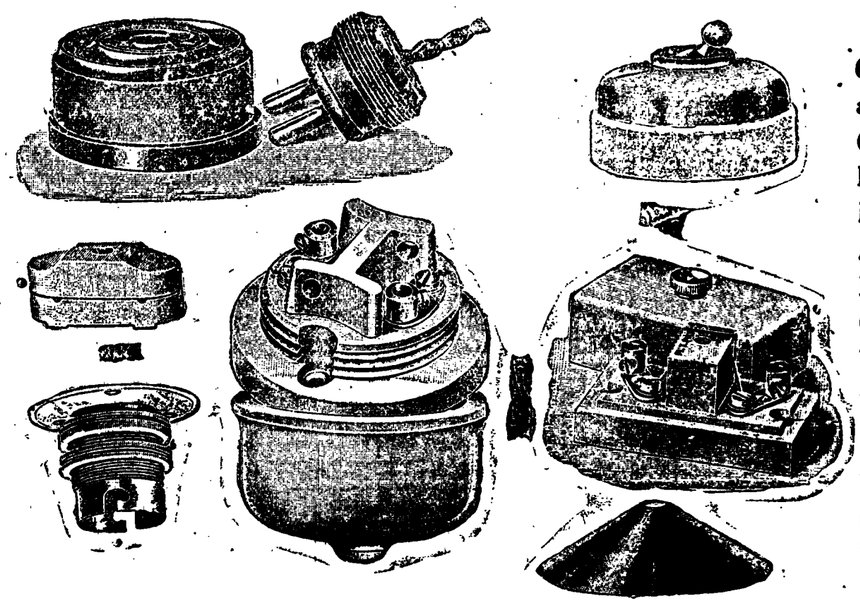

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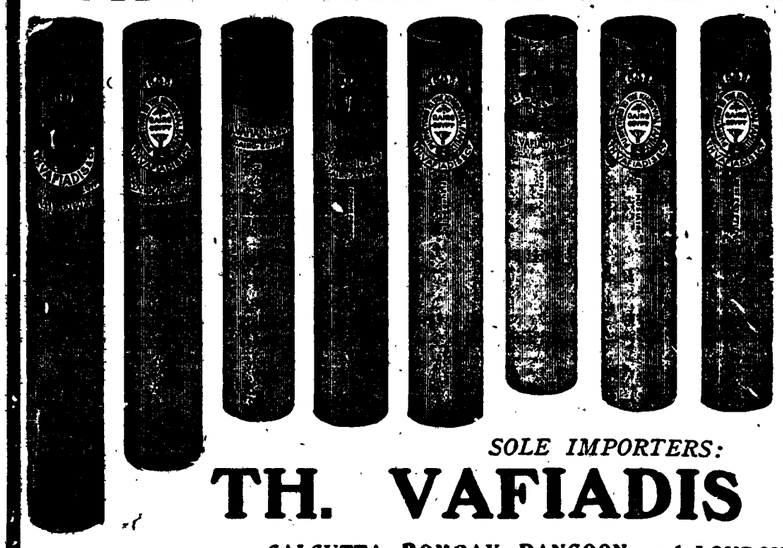

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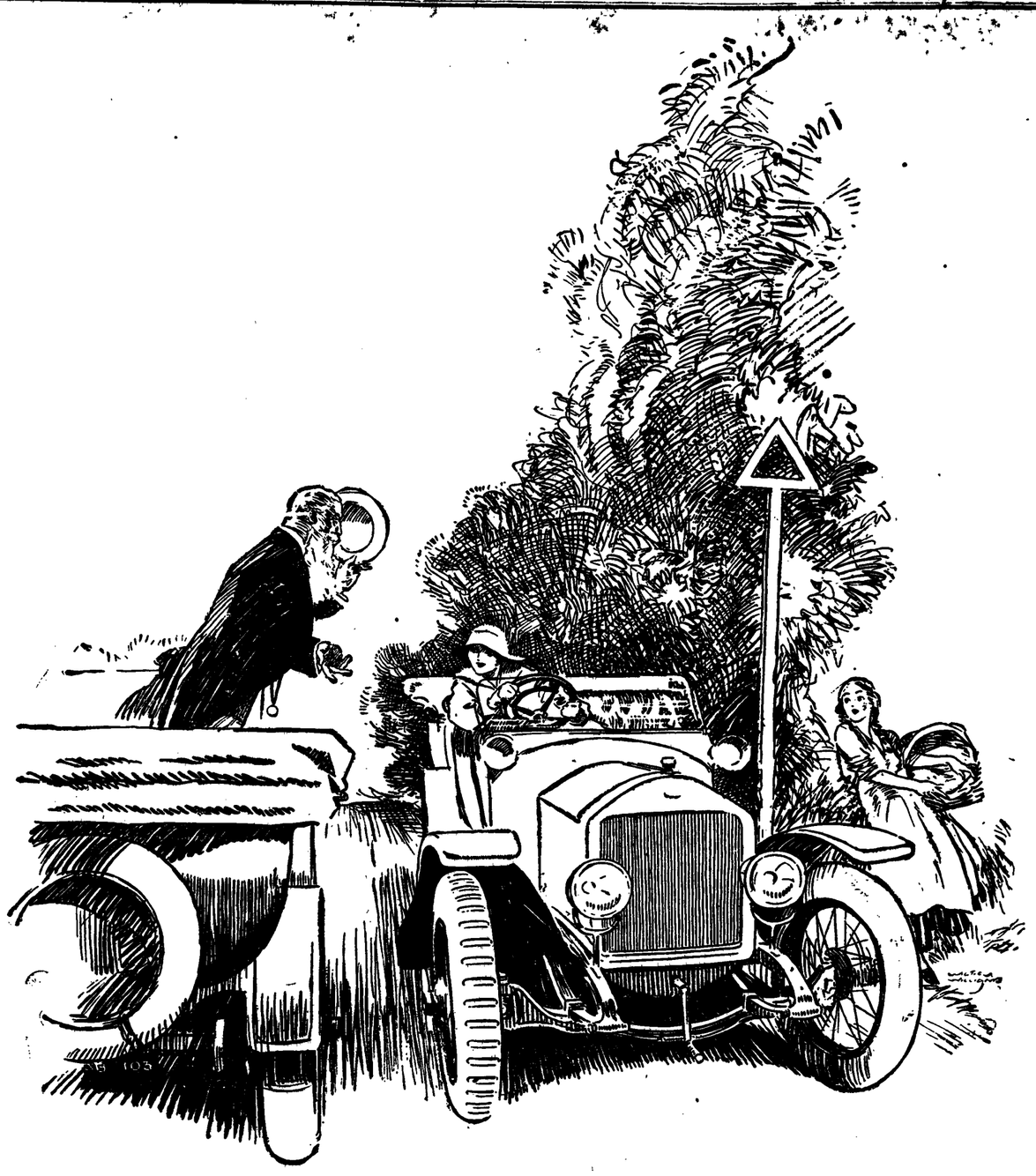

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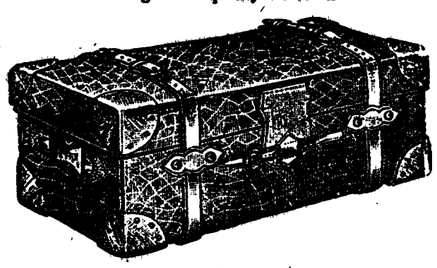

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